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Fire Destroys Haliburton Businesses: Village Barn Sustains Serious Damage

by Stephen Patrick, Editor

A serious fire in Haliburton's Village Barn early last Thursday morning has caused at least \$250,000 damage to the structure and the various businesses that occupied the century-old building, according to Dysart et al Fire Chief Miles Maughan. However, Insurance Adjustor Brent Clarkson told the Voice this week that it was still very difficult to estimate total damages, and that in his opinion the final figure could be significantly higher. There were no personal injuries. The Ontario Fire Marshall attended the scene late last week, and removed some articles from the building. A determination of probable cause could take months.



The fire appears to have started in Franka's Delectables, a café and take-out restaurant located on the main floor. The Fire Department received the call at 1:15, alerted by Marty Grant's Hyland Taxi staff, and quickly began to hose down the smouldering building. The Village Barn boasts an open, flow-through concept that unfortunately worked in the fire's favour and also insured that smoke damage was extensive throughout the building. Franka's inventory and equipment have been mostly destroyed, and all the inventory of Masters' Books next door has sustained serious damage. Upstairs there is significant smoke damage to the Cottage Dreams offices, although their laptops were rescued early the next day. Office Manager Donna Gagnon told the Voice that "we will have to relocate temporarily, but we will be able to continue to work, from our homes if necessary. Our staff, Becky Gunning and Debbie Cumber, will be able to continue, as will our Director Seana O'Neill, who's right now working out of our Toronto office."

Downstairs tenants included RBC Financial and the Tutu Café, which also suffered smoke and water damage. Tutu Café's owner Dani Smolen suffered serious losses to her \$60,000 inventory, and will now have to see if any of it can possibly be dry-cleaned and salvaged. Village Barn Owner Anthony vanLieshout, after expressing thanks that no one was hurt, said that "as soon as we get all the facts we'll decide when the rebuilding will begin. But at this point we can't predict when our tenants will be able to move back in." No one, however, is expecting to be back before Christmas.

Café owner Franka Andriano was devastated by the news, and told the Voice that "I'm just so sorry that my neighbours and friends in the building suffered so much damage. I'm not sure yet if any of my equipment can be saved - but probably not." The fire was attended by 18 Dysart and 16 Minden firefighters.

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MP Barry Devolin Addresses Canada's Action Plan for the Trent-Severn Waterway

By Liz Danielsen

"There are real jurisdictional issues that must be dealt with."

Late in September Parks Canada issued a press release addressing the future of the Trent-Severn Waterway (TSW). The much anticipated release was issued in response to a panel report called "It's All About the Water" submitted to the Minister of Environment in April of last year. However, the press release did not meet the expectations of many groups in Haliburton County, particularly the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow (the Coalition).

The County Voice had an exclusive interview with MP Barry Devolin to get his reaction and comments about both the government's response to the panel report and concerns raised by the Coalition and others in the County.

Devolin, who grew up on Lake Kashagawigamog and understands the history of the area and the importance of the reservoir lakes, played an integral role in ensuring that two representatives with an intimate knowledge of the lakes in the area were appointed to sit on the panel when it was established, thus ensuring that everyone's interests in the county were protected.

In comments from their President Chris Riddle and in a document on the Coalition's website (www.cewf.ca) concerns were raised about the time taken to offer such a 'modest response' to a report that took months of hard work by a group of individuals dedicated to completing a comprehensive evaluation of the TSW's potential.

The Coalition are encouraged that the government appears to have accepted about half of the panel's 26 recommendations, either in whole or in part, but they stress that the

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Managing the Trent-Severn Waterway

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overall response doesn't match the level of vision demonstrated by the panel and represents a significant lost opportunity when it comes to an integrated approach to watershed management.

Devolin said, "I know there has been some frustration with the fact that it has taken a year and a half for the response. But given that nothing happened on the file for about 30 years I'm quite pleased that a motion was passed receiving unanimous support to strike a blue ribbon panel. The panel did an exhaustive amount of work and made excellent recommendations on a system that covers a number of jurisdictions dating back 100 years. That's part of the reason the response took as long as it did. This is not a simple project that is confined to one place but a broad stretch covering over a half million people.

"The panel was struck, the report was submitted and the government responded. In my whole lifetime there has never been this much action coming out of the government on a single issue. We're not there yet but if people are fair minded they need to acknowledge that we're on the road to dealing with this."

The Coalition raised concerns that the Government is placing considerable emphasis on the canal itself rather than the two watersheds that form part of the system. It is their position that history reinforces the fact that the waterway and its watersheds are inextricably linked and the management of the TSW is all about the water and the management of the watersheds.

Devolin says that people should recognize that there are at least two distinct parts to the Trent-Severn world; the waterway itself and the reservoir lakes, most of which are in Haliburton County. "The waterway stretches along four different ridings with four MP's and MPP's covering the area, but our riding is unique as it includes a significant piece of the waterway as well as most of the reservoir lakes.

"The concerns about the watershed are valid. The TSW was initially conceived for industrial transportation even though it didn't become that; that was the genesis of the waterway. As

recently as a couple of decades ago it was the federal Minister of Transport that had responsibility for it. The fact that responsibility has been shifted to the Dept. of the Environment reflects the general values that our society has in terms of increased concerns about the TSW.

"I have spoken with the leaders of the Coalition who have impressed the point on me that the TSW should be viewed in terms of a watershed context rather than political boundaries; that we must look at it holistically as a watershed and not chop it up. While I think that's true, in the same context there are real jurisdictional issues that cross municipal and county boundaries and in the end must be dealt with that way."

According to Devolin there is also a lack of certainty in terms of jurisdictional issues between the federal and provincial government.

He also spoke of the changes over time. "On Pigeon Lake there have been discussions about preserving the natural shoreline when not too many years ago it was a hay field. The same is true of Drag Lake in Haliburton County. In Outlet Bay stumps are in the water because at one point it was dry land. I think all of us have to start thinking in terms of where we are today and the man made creation that exists. It is a watershed, but one that has been altered by man and somehow we have to figure out how to go forward."

Devolin said that the government's response is to sit down with the province to establish a memo of understanding that will deal with issues of jurisdiction. "The response doesn't say what that structure will be. It says that discussion must take place between the two governments because the feds can't impose anything without provincial input."

The Coalition strongly believes that an independent water management agency should be established and that was one of the primary recommendations included in the report "It's all About the Water."

According to Devolin, the government accepts the diagnosis, but are proposing a different remedy. He said that in discussion with the President of Parks Canada a number of examples were given about management scenarios, but the president assured him that Parks Canada have a lot of experience dealing with this. Devolin said that they manage the Rideau Canal, another canal south of Quebec City and also have considerable experience dealing with jurisdictional overlaps.

Devolin said that Parks Canada would like to sit down with the province, determine what will fit and work for both levels of government as well as themselves and establish a working memorandum of understanding (MOU).

As an aside, Devolin said that some people may say this is simply more bureaucracy, and not the real answer. "But when you talk with people in government, the proposal to sit down within six months to establish an MOU is considered a very serious commitment.

"I am very pleased that the Minister of the Environment, Jim Prentice has made this a priority and wants to work with the Government of Ontario. That dialogue will establish how to structure the resulting entity so that it works for everyone. It is a

"We have to do a better job of managing what we have."

very complex variety of concerns from hydro electricity to boating to flood control or water quality and that's one reason it has taken so long and is the most responsive way to proceed."

Members of the Coalition have also raised concerns about hydro electric facilities being established along the waterway and Devolin agreed that they have very legitimate concerns. He said, "I will be very vigilant on this issue. We continue to hear reflex answers that green power is good and that we need more green hydro power without thinking of the practical impact on our system."

Devolin also said, "I have said repeatedly that the interests and the rights of the people along the waterway are my primary concern, and if that means that hydroelectric generation must take a back seat, that will be my preference.

"A lot of contracts have been signed over the years with hydro electric facilities that feel they have a right to a certain amount of water. That hampers the management of water for the TSW. It is the province that has granted water taking licences to places like the City of Peterborough, but you can't put one body in charge of managing the water while others have the ability to take water from the system."

Devolin reiterated that concerns about hydro electricity generation were absolutely an issue and concern with him. He said, "We're in complete agreement on that and I will make sure to make it known that maximizing hydro electricity is not my number one priority or an interest that should trump others."

Devolin also had several general points he wanted to make about the process. He said, "First, I think we have made a lot of progress in the last three or four years on this file. We're not at the end of the process by any means but just the discussion that is taking place, particularly with the stakeholders in Haliburton County, has resulted in a better understanding of what's going on. By the same token, the people in the south are also getting a better understanding about the reservoir lakes.

"The folks from the Coalition have spoken of a water budget and where the water goes which is a good way to look at it, but the context is that we, ie. Mankind does not control how much water we start with. Nature controls that. Several years ago we had a lot more problems with a hot dry summer. We're not backing off because we've had two wet summers because it will happen again.

"There is also the issue of climate change. The bottom line is that we don't control that, nor does the TSW. The amount of water there is the amount of water there and we need to determine how best to use the resource as it exists.

"There are more and more people living in our area. In my childhood many of the cottages in Haliburton had just an outhouse; no dishwasher or washer and dryers. The demand for water is growing significantly but the resource is not increasing.

"We have to do a better job of managing what we have and establish a hierarchy of priorities. The people in the communities on the waterway itself are the highest priority and other things must come behind that. We're moving in that direction and the Coalition is participating."

Devolin concluded his comments by saying, "We're finally moving in the right direction and I look forward to continuing to work with all parties to do the best job we can.

And on that the Coalition also agrees. It is their position that they remain committed to working collaboratively with Parks Canada and both levels of government with a view to advancing their objectives on behalf of the residents of the reservoir and flow-through lakes in the Haliburton Sector of the Trent-Severn Waterway system. ■

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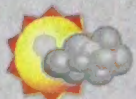
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SUNDAY



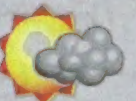
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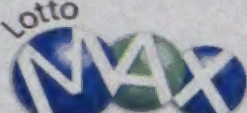


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Acapulco	32/26/ts	33/26/pc	31/26/cl	Montego Bay	32/26/ts	32/26/sh	32/27/su
Antigua	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	31/26/su	Nassau	32/26/ts	32/26/pc	31/28/sh
Barbados	32/26/ts	31/27/ra	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	32/26/ts	33/26/ts	33/26/cl
Bermuda	28/22/ts	30/24/ts	31/26/sh	Puerto Vallarta	32/26/ts	31/25/pc	29/23/na
Cancun	32/26/ts	33/25/pc	32/26/na	St Thomas	32/26/pc	32/25/ts	31/26/ra
Curacao	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	31/24/ts	St Maarten	32/26/pc	31/26/sh	31/27/su
Freeport	32/26/pc	31/26/ts	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	29/24/ts	30/20/ts	31/24/ra
Georgetown	32/26/ts	31/25/ts	31/23/ts	San Juan	32/25/ts	32/26/ts	31/24/ra
Havana	32/25/ts	32/24/pc	34/24/su	San Salvador	32/24/ts	32/20/ts	32/22/su
Key West	32/26/pc	32/26/ts	30/24/sh	Santo Domingo	32/26/ts	32/26/pc	33/26/su
Kingston	32/26/ts	32/26/sh	33/32/su	Trinidad	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/27/ra

REGIONAL CITIES

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Bancroft	6/6/su	4/-4/pc	6/-3/pc	7/-3/pc	8/-2/cl	12/0/pc	15/2/pc
Barrie	6/-3/su	5/-3/pc	6/-3/cl	8/-3/pc	8/-2/cl	13/1/pc	16/3/pc
Dorset	6/-4/su	4/-4/pc	6/-4/pc	7/-3/pc	8/-3/cl	12/0/pc	15/2/pc
Haliburton	6/-4/su	4/-4/pc	6/-3/pc	7/-3/pc	8/-2/cl	13/0/pc	16/2/pc
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Ottawa	7/-1/su	4/-4/pc	6/-3/pc	7/-3/pc	7/-2/cl	10/0/pc	13/2/pc
Toronto	7/-1/su	6/-2/pc	8/-2/cl	9/-1/pc	10/-1/cl	14/2/pc	17/4/pc

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otk
Calgary	8/-1/cl	14/4/cl	21/-6/pc	12/-2/cl	9/-6/sh	8/-4/sh	11/-2/pc
Edmonton	4/-4/cl	8/0/cl	3/-7/sn	3/-7/sn	3/-7/sn	2/-6/sn	3/-5/cl
Fredericton	4/-4/pc	3/-3/su	12/4/cl	12/4/sh	12/4/sh	11/4/pc	12/6/pc
Halifax	6/-1/pc	4/-2/su	13/4/sh	13/4/sh	13/4/sh	12/4/pc	13/6/pc
Montreal	5/-3/su	4/-4/su	7/-2/pc	7/-2/pc	8/-2/cl	9/-1/pc	11/1/pc
Regina	7/-2/mx	13/4/pc	8/-4/cl	8/-4/cl	8/-4/sh	6/-7/mx	8/-4/pc
St John's	6/0/pc	4/-4/pc	16/7/sh	16/7/sh	16/7/sh	14/6/cl	16/7/pc
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Vancouver	13/6/ra	16/9/sh	14/9/sh	16/7/sh	20/7/sh	21/8/sh	19/7/sh
Whitehorse	7/-3/su	5/-3/cl	2/-1/sn	2/-1/sn	2/-1/sn	4/0/mx	3/-1/mx
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Friday 10/9	10°C	6°C	11.2 mm
Thursday 10/8	15°C	5°C	0.0 mm
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Fri. 10/16	7:31 a.m./6:27 p.m.	5:42 a.m./5:19 p.m.
Sat. 10/17	7:33 a.m./6:25 p.m.	6:57 a.m./5:43 p.m.
Sun. 10/18	7:34 a.m./6:24 p.m.	8:11 a.m./6:10 p.m.
Mon. 10/19	7:35 a.m./6:22 p.m.	9:25 a.m./6:42 p.m.
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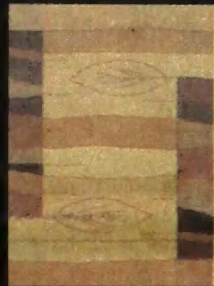
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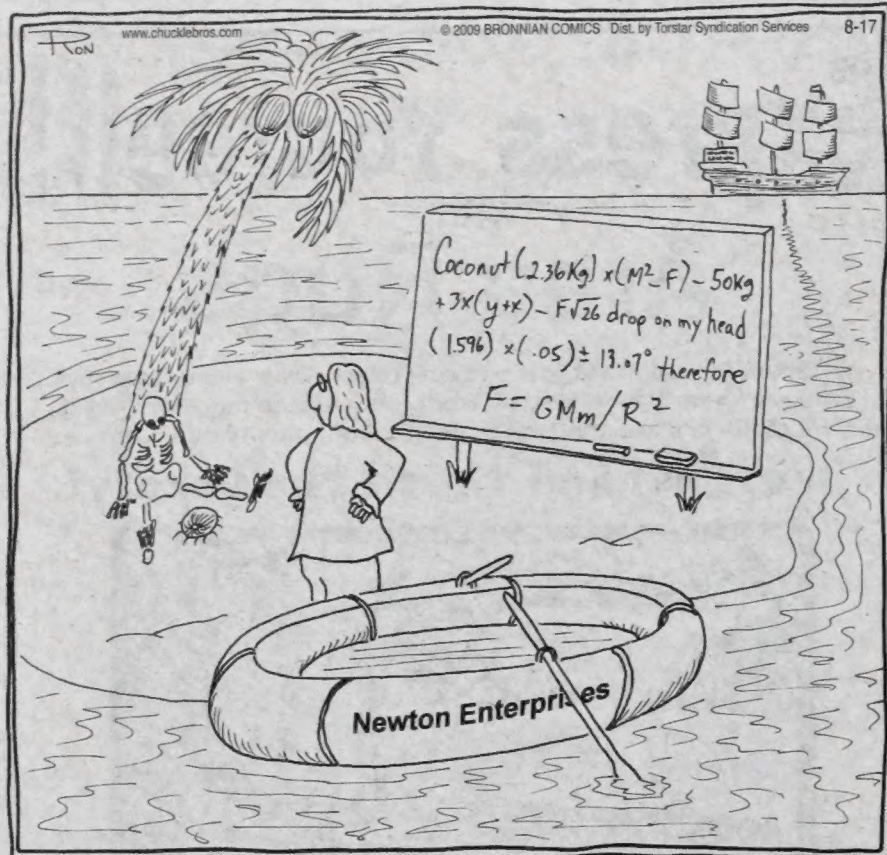
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Letter of the Week

To the Editor:

"From the outset, opposition to this project has been centred around the lack of voice given to the local ratepayers regarding a project they have never supported."

There has been a great deal of misunderstanding or misinterpretation of the latest actions taken by MBC with relation to our ongoing opposition to the Airport Expansion Project; some even feel that we have "gone back on our word" to support the rehabilitation of the existing runway, taxi-way and apron areas.

Nothing could be further from the truth; our recent activities have been directed, as they have always been, at ensuring that fair and transparent processes are followed and that others hold to their word.

From the outset, opposition to this project has been centred around the lack of voice given to the local ratepayers regarding a project they have never supported – Months of work and continuous pressure were required to assure that the concerns of the people of Algonquin Highlands received the consideration they deserved in the Environmental Assessment process which, because of the lack of responsiveness of our township council, local provincial and federal representatives, funding agencies and concerned ministries, remains the only process in which we have any voice at all.

The recent decision by Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities, John Baird, to authorize the start of work on the rehabilitation portion of the project was followed almost immediately by the announcement by an official from the Ministry of Industry (which, at the time, had no official standing in the Environmental Assessment process) that the rehabilitation work impacts would no longer be considered as a part of the screening that is already underway. This "authorization" was required for funds to flow for the rehabilitation.

However: The Canadian Environmental Assessment Act requires that all work(s) and impact(s) related to, flowing from or contemplated to follow from a project must be considered as part of its cumulative impact. This is required so that a given project can not gain an advantage – exemption by splitting it into two or more projects or phases that, being smaller, would not require the same level of, or any, scrutiny or regulation.

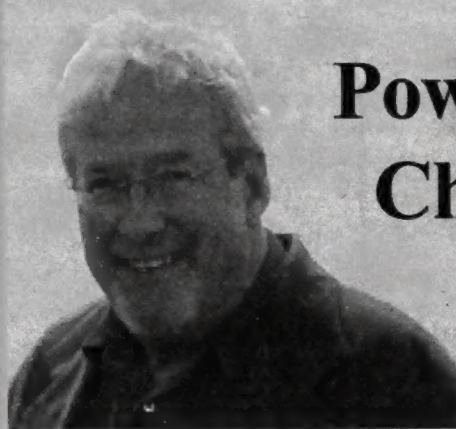
As there has never been a clear assessment of the scope of work required for the rehabilitation (or a separate and detailed budget presented), a decision to remove this phase of work from the over-all EA process is even more dangerous. We must remember that it is just this lack of full disclosure of impacts that drove us to fight for our voice in the EA process in the first place.

We have merely insisted that, as had been promised, we would be informed of exactly what was being done, have some level of input into the process and decision-making and

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Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick



Power, Control, Children, and the Church

Every day it seems fresh evidence emerges in the media of the sexual abuse of children. Journalists and police are uncovering evidence of institutional

abuse in the residential schools of the past, in the rectories and manses of the past and present, in our public and private schools and sports leagues, at a frightening rate. The Internet is flooded with legal pornography; as well, millions of images of abused children are available and traded between serial abusers, the merely prurient, and the ever increasing numbers of porn entrepreneurs.

It's easy, if wrong-headed, to blame the Internet itself for this glut of sexual violence and exploitation. More likely as a society we've become if anything less tolerant of the abuse and more willing to shine light in places that for centuries were hidden, or covered up: those institutions and ashamed victims and their families had serious reasons to keep their secrets, and to keep iron-fisted control over the faithful. Even so, commentators as prominent as conservative writer Mark Steyn complained, perhaps in jest, a few years' back about the "whiners" who went to the authorities about abuse by their scoutmasters, when they should have just realized said abuse was nothing significant, kept the news to themselves.

Last week's images of a befuddled and pathetic Bishop Richard Lahey, late of the fine diocese of Antigonish in Nova Scotia, being led into court for alleged possession of child porn, simply serve as a reminder of how power and hierarchical control can conspire to keep the truth hidden, sometimes for generations.

For it was Bishop Lahey himself just months ago who persuaded his impoverished faithful to approve a \$13 million payment to past victims of abuse: to bring an end to the shame and the ugliness.

And again, last week, former hockey star and all-world substance abuser and partygoer Theoren Fleury confirmed the decades-old rumour that he too had been a sexual victim as a teenager of convicted boy's hockey coach Graham James. Last week also saw the suicide of a hugely popular high school teacher in Toronto, presumably over allegations that he had invited sexual contact with his students.

Despite all these horrors, we still, as parents, give vast amounts of trust and power to our various institutions and to our friends and neighbours who give tirelessly of their time to volunteer in our schools and on our hockey rinks and playing fields. That won't, and shouldn't change. But it doesn't mean that parents and teachers should not be eternally vigilant: police checks are rightly a requirement now for all volunteers in our schools and on our playing fields. Most child sexual abuse occurs when adults, or the institutions they are a part of, are beyond any kind of democratic or secular control. When our institutions, whether they be religious or secular, are beyond scrutiny, abuse flourishes. For generations we've understood that even the family itself must not be beyond the public gaze: hence the Children's Aid Society, for example.

This is not an argument against faith per se, or a rant against the Catholic Church in particular. The Catholics have justly drawn much public wrath and internal soul searching, because so many of the famous abuse cases brought to light in the past few decades have happened in their schools and parishes. But the Anglicans and many of the other Protestant denominations have long histories of disgraceful behaviour among its clergy. No, the problem is the mindless power and control these religious and secular institutions have over our children: the need is for the light to shine, and for eternal, intelligent vigilance. ■

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that the law would be followed.

The "go-ahead" issued by Minister Baird (at the insistence of MP Barry Devolin), while a funding decision, has led to a short circuit in the Environmental Assessment process which, if it is allowed to pass without note could mean the loss of the small voice that we have managed to achieve.

The rehabilitation could easily have waited for the completion of the full-project assessment, or the work could have gone ahead now, without a word from MBC, if the proper processes had been followed. Instead, a back door has been opened that contravenes the CEA Act, and that benefits only those who measure their performance by the number of dollars moved before the current administrations fall.

Meanwhile, as we have been all along, we continue to ask for a review of the original decision to fund a project nobody wants to pay for.

Andy Muirhead
Little Cameron Lake ■

Dear Editor:

"Enforce or rescind By-Law"

Most townships in Ontario have some very untidy properties but no by-law to deal with them. As I read the County Voice each week I've noticed where Minden Hills has some unsightly properties and a by-law prohibiting them.

It is incomprehensible how a by-law can have a grey area: black or white means tidy or untidy. Any property in one K. of a junk yard is almost impossible to sell!

Temporary structures should be limited to one year and no more than two. One fact we all know is that when people are allowed to do as they like then others will hop on the bandwagon also.

Those elected or appointed to any government need to be less afraid of offending those that do wrong and assert their authority. Yes, this by-law needs to be enforced or rescinded as there isn't any need to perpetuate problems.

I'm aware that a coerced cleanup of a property would be anti-constitutional. Like all other issues today we need to ignore the constitution and clean up these unsightly properties immediately.

Winston E. Ralph
RR#3, Bancroft Ontario. ■



Police Reports

Update

Body Of Male Discovered In River

(CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES, ON.) – On Thursday October 8th, 2009 at approximately 11:25 p.m., the City of Kawartha Lakes OPP was contacted after a male went missing while swimming in the Gull River, north of the village of Norland, Ontario.

The lifeless body of a 53 year old male has since been recovered from the Gull River.

The male has been identified as Edward (Ted) BLANCHARD of Scarborough. A post mortem is scheduled for Friday (9 Oct) afternoon.

The City of Kawartha Lakes OPP Crime Unit is continuing their investigation. ■

Dear Editor

"Does anyone detect tension here?"

"Last week during Municipal Day, over 50 municipal councillors and heads of staff were offered a presentation on the roles and responsibilities of Council and staff, but many of them chose to attend a concurrent session." (Liz Danielson, page 9, County Voice, Oct. 8)

Does anyone detect tension here? Ultimately, councillors receive their authority from their electors and yet here we have a provincially hired functionary lecturing them on how to behave. Could we imagine some expert instructing MPs or MPPs regarding their behaviour during Question Period?

"For municipalities to function as democratic governments they need to be accountable and responsible to those who elect them and on whose behalf they have been constituted." page 10, Tindal and Tindal, Local Government in Canada, 7th. edition.

Perhaps the councillors should have been conferring with their electors and not Ms. Church from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Or does this episode simply illustrate the subservient role of municipalities in which we all acquiesce?

Regards

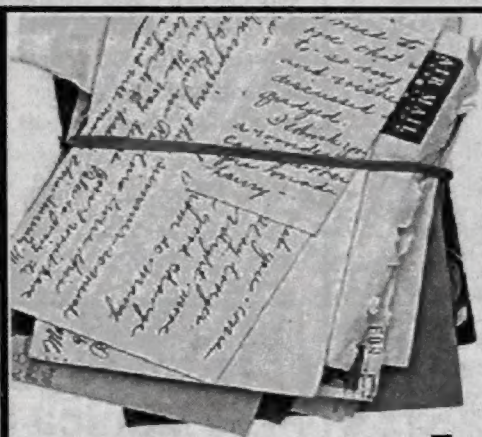
Jim Milne
West Guilford ■

Dear Editor:

"They already know us cattle will just line up and meet our fate ..."

Looks like somebody in Government is finally keeping a promise and the powers that be are getting rid of that TEMPORARY TAX the GST. Remember that? It's only going to be imposed until deficit under control then we're getting rid of GST was the promise that fateful day when it all began. I guess re-naming it is enough for the Ranchers down at Queens Park, they already know us cattle will just line up and meet our fate without rebelling anymore than with some letters to an editor!

Daryl Sands
Tory Hill ■



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Fire at the Barn Cont'd...

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For Kathy Stouffer, owner of Masters' Books for the last 30 years, the smoke and water damage presents some serious problems. Christmas is an essential time for booksellers, and this week Mrs. Stouffer was busy ordering new stock for the holidays: "the question is where can I put it all?" she told the Voice. "I hope to find a place soon. We'll also consider a fire sale of some of the existing inventory, but we'd need space for that as well." For Dani Smolen, who expects to re-locate her business in the spring in any event, it's a doubly difficult decision. "We don't want to rent a new space when we know we'll have our own within a few months." Dani's husband, Dentist Dr. Ed Smolen, is building a new clinic on Maple Avenue, and will have room there for the Tutu Café.

The good news? No injuries, and the Village Barn, one of the County's oldest buildings, will live to see another day. ■



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Beech Tree Farm Offers Animal Control Solution County Wide

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Ralph Herzog and Susan Bennett may very well be offering an animal control solution that could be utilized county wide, but this week they started in Highlands East where feral cats continue to be a problem with no solution in sight.

The couple, who own and operate Beech Tree Farm on Gelert Road in Minden, propose to establish a not for profit organization to operate a cat and dog shelter/pound. During his presentation to the Highlands East Council on Tuesday, Herzog brandished a map of the county showing his farm's location and a 30 mile radius circle in which he proposes to eventually cover.

"My intention is to provide this service for the entire county," he said, adding that their location is central which would be a benefit for everyone. Herzog is expecting to make presentations to other municipalities, but said that their service would be particularly beneficial for Highlands East because that municipality deals only with Faraday Township's pound at the present time, which only accepts dogs.

"If you take a look you will see that we have established costs based on our experience. Our research into building a pound has shown us that the regulations are quite strict. It's like building a Taj Mahal as a shelter requires special (and costly) materials."

Herzog, who hails from Switzerland, is a certified forester/landscaper by trade but has considerable experience dealing with animals, and most particularly dogs. "I have spent a lot of my life with dogs," he said. While serving in the Swiss army he trained dogs and says that he considers himself quite capable in dealing

with them. Herzog is a European Cup winner competing with sled dogs and also enjoyed a lifetime experience in Yellowknife

where he was a Kennel Manager, caring for as many as 120 sled dogs and conducting sled dog tours in Yellowknife.

In their proposal Herzog and Bennett detailed the responsibilities they would assume including picking up and hosting dogs and cats in the Haliburton Highlands for the time required by law, trapping and catching dogs and cats that are proving to be a threat or nuisance to the public, euthanasia of animals not claimed in the allotted time and disposal (cremation) of animals. Herzog assured Council that all duties were to be performed within provincial and SOCA guidelines.

Herzog said that his

organization would also provide emergency animal care and would work with local veterinarians when required to care for animals in need.

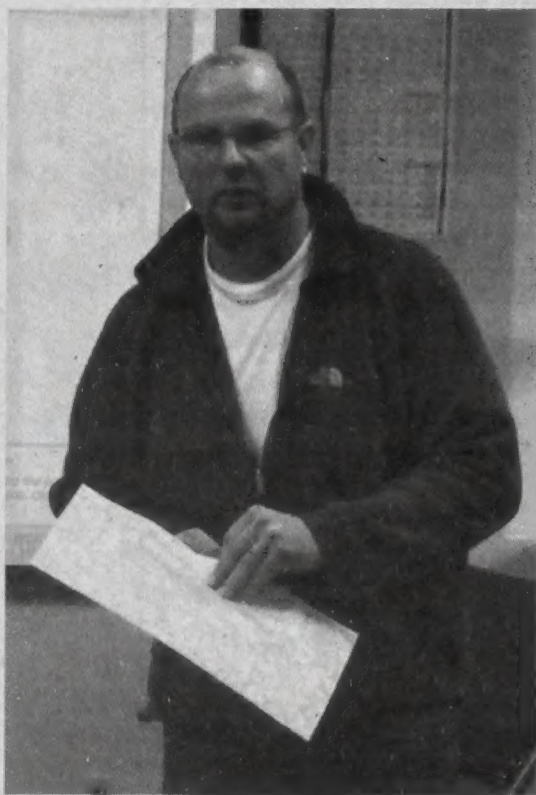
"If there is a need for an animal control officer here, we can take care of that as well," he said. He also said that they could tailor their duties or services in accordance with what each municipality wanted them to do.

In their proposal the couple detailed daily costs for shelter and food for both dogs and cats as well as for pickup and delivery to their pound. They also detailed approximate costs for veterinary care as well as

euthanasia and cremation.

"I believe that there are no bad dogs. There are only bad owners. People come by our house with problem dogs and I tell them "If you talk in Spanish to someone who speaks English they will never understand."

The Council made no commitment but were obviously pleased to have an option to consider. Councillor Suzanne Partridge, who sits on the Animal Control Committee said, "This is terrific food for thought. We will have to discuss this further and weigh our options." ■



Ralph Herzog

"There are no bad dogs; only bad owners." (Ralph Herzog)

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October 9th certainly broke the routine of the long term residents at HHHS. An evacuation procedure was carried out in the morning to ensure that if in case of an emergency the residents would be able to get out of the building in the fastest possible way. A smoke bomb was detonated by the fire department in a room to create a realistic reconstruction of what could happen. It took just 13 minutes to evacuate the 13 patients and Paul Rosebush the CEO of HHHS believes that it was a total success, "all of our staff are trained with fire cautions, we want to make sure that every staff member knows exactly what to do and that the residents are able to leave the grounds in a timely fashion." It appeared that many of the residents enjoyed the break in their day and Rosebush seemed to think that they enjoyed it, "they were all enthusiastic about carrying out the demonstration." They last did a practice evacuation in 2006 and it will now be a yearly routine. ■

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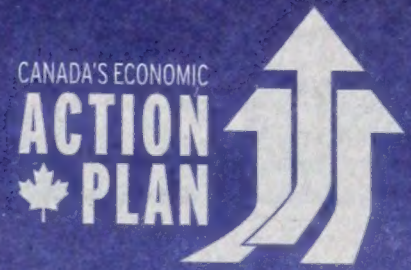
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Riverwalk Committee Seeks Project Extension

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Last week the Minden Hills Council considered a request by the Riverwalk Committee and Cultural Centre Director Daniela Pagliaro to construct an extension to Riverwalk that would connect it to the Cultural Centre. Gazebos, pathways, signage and decks for outdoor programs were all part of the proposal which would be jointly funded.

The estimated cost of the project which is expected to complete the Riverwalk 'vision' is approximately \$190,000. Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch advised Council that the Riverwalk Committee would like to apply for a Trillium Grant to cover a portion of the cost of work that would complete all the phases of their initial plan. "This Council has been totally committed to the fact that Riverwalk would be their number one priority and I would like to see the project completed during the term of this Council," Murdoch said, adding that she saw the linkage to the cultural as a 'win win' situation, and something that would bring people into Minden.

"This will improve economic development in the area and I see it as the completion of our master plan within our term."

The memorandum detailing the project was a bit sketchy but did detail the project as part of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre's comprehensive five year strategic plan to develop linkages to other community spaces such as Riverwalk.

The Committee's proposal was to contract a specialist to develop a comprehensive site plan for an outdoor community program space at the Riverwalk trail head on the cultural centre site. This would include a 700 square foot partially covered decked area with benches. The memo referred to an increasing demand from community groups for outdoor program space.

Councillor Barbara Reid commented that information provided to Council did not clarify costs for the various elements of the project other than the total estimated cost, a \$35,000 estimate for an outdoor program area and a verbal quote of \$15,000 for site development. She asked if a detailed budget would be provided for the project and said, "I would like to see how you arrived at the \$190,000 figure." She also said that it wasn't clear how much would be funded by the Trillium Foundation and how much by Minden Hills.

Murdoch, who had previously reported that the applications must be submitted by November 1st said, "I'm only asking for permission to apply at this time." She agreed that a budget could be provided at a later date and said the Trillium Foundation grant would cover \$70,000 with Minden Hills assuming the balance of \$120,000.

Murdoch also said that tenders prices coming in for the walkways were coming in lower than anticipated and that surplus funding could be available to offset some of the project costs. She also suggested that other fund raising measures would be undertaken to try to bear some of the financial burden.

"My concern is that we have almost completed the master plan. If we let this go I'm unsure what the next Council will do with this project. I truly believe that partnering and joining Riverwalk with the cultural complex will bring us great dividends," said Murdoch. "We agreed that Riverwalk would be our number one priority and this will be proof that it is. It will be a great attraction to the community."

Reid however said, "This is a lot of money and should be weighed against other priorities." She said that she was concerned about other departments that would like to apply for a grant as well. "This is a big investment that needs to be evaluated in the context of everything else that is going on."

Murdoch spoke of the funding that had gone into Riverwalk and that so far the project had not impacted taxpayers.

Councillor Rick Ratcliff asked if there had been any discussion with the treasurer about the \$120,000 required from Minden Hills. Murdoch admitted that little discussion had taken place and that there was a good chance that the project would have to be put on the tax levy.

Ratcliff said that while he supported the project he didn't believe this was the appropriate time. "I would like to see this go to the budget committee. There may be other monies available." He cited the recent FedDev funding announcement as one example of money that could be available and said, "This represents a three percent increase to taxes overall and should be included in our budget deliberations."

Murdoch said she had no problem delaying discussions but reiterated that she didn't want the project overlooked. "I don't want the ball dropped on this or see the project not completed. I'm willing to back off but this will come to the fore in 2010."

Reid then said, "This memo refers to a five year strategic plan for the cultural centre. Will this be shared with Council?" Murdoch agreed that the plan would be shared.

Councillor Lisa Shell agreed with Ratcliff that the project should be considered as part of budget deliberations rather than assuming the money would be available and Murdoch agreed that the project would be more palatable if other grant money was available.

Reeve Jim McMahon commented that if there was Trillium funding available he would not want to miss it. Reid however, said that other projects could come forward and that Council could asked for more information for their October 28th meeting to ensure they did not miss out. She repeated her desire to have other projects considered, mentioning the Lochlin Community Centre. Ratcliff agreed that other project requirements should be considered.

Murdoch commented on necessity for a fast turnaround and Reid said, "The Ontario Trillium Foundation has been in place for years and there are three intakes each year." She stressed how helpful it would be to have more information and look at other projects to understand the overall impact of their decision.

McMahon wrapped up the discussion by saying that the request was turned down for now.

Stay tuned for additional discussion on this project in the near future. ■

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Anyone interested is welcome to contact me in person, per phone or email (see below for contact information).

Kind regards,

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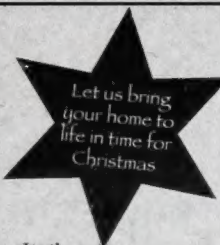
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Joy Riders Wreak Havoc at Airport

Liz Daniels
Staff Reporter

Within minutes of arriving at work on September 26th, Airport Manager John Packer could no longer call himself a happy camper. While doing his morning inspections Packer discovered that someone had been doing a bit of joy riding on airport property and had caused considerable damage.

Packer found that the gates, normally closed, were both forced open. As he continued his check, he also noticed that the taxiway lights were bent over and glass was strewn across the taxiway. Further inspection determined that there was also significant damage to threshold lights and one or two of the runway lights. The airport 'hold' sign (where planes exit the taxiway onto the runway) was damaged and there were tire indentations showing where the vehicles had ripped through grass and gravel.

Packer immediately contacted the OPP who investigated the scene and issued a NOTAM (Notice to Airmen) to close the runway while the investigation was conducted and the area was cleaned up.

CAO Lorne Mitchell told the Voice that damages were estimated at approximately \$10,000. He also said that as the airport is under federal jurisdiction the perpetrators faced federal charges which could bring mandatory sentencing.

Mitchell said that given the amount of damage to the lights there wasn't much doubt that the underside of the vehicles involved would also have been damaged.

"The thing that concerns me about this type of vandalism," he said, "is that it could have jeopardized air ambulance arrivals and departures, creating a very serious impact on the municipality, the community and the county as a whole."

Mitchell also said that it would be tax payers' money that would foot the bill for the damage. He said, "Incidents like this can't be budgeted and our insurance only covers a small portion of the costs."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison was out of the country at the time of the incident. Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner said, "This is a very serious issue and not what we consider normal vandalism." Gardner said that it was hard to speculate who might have caused the damage, saying it be anything from someone on a midnight lark to wilful destruction.

Packer said, "They were clearly moving fast as the bases of about 14 lights were bent and broken and hit with such force that the wiring was actually pulled out."

"It looks like they went down the taxiway and runway. They also broke a number of runway lights and a threshold light, then came back up and ran over the hold sign and a few more lights before they left the premises," he said. Packer estimated that the costs could range from eight to as high as fifteen thousand dollars.

When asked if there were unsecured accesses to the airport, Packer said, "They have to be or we couldn't get the air ambulance, police or search and rescue vehicles in. The gates are closed but unlocked."

Packer said that he planned to make a presentation to Council with a recommendation to install cameras in key locations at the airport. He said, "This type of incident can create significant problems for emergency aircraft coming in." According to Packer, if another few lights had been hit the runway would be closed at night to air ambulance, police or search and rescue operations until repairs could be completed.

"This type of incident can create significant problems for emergency aircraft." (John Packer)

"This is clearly wanton destruction," said Packer who confirmed Mitchell's comment that there would obviously have been considerable damage to the underside of any vehicle involved.

Coincidentally, Packer said that same night he had received a call from Search & Rescue. "They were going to Algonquin Park to search for a lost individual and needed fuel. The trip was cancelled as they decided to use a Hercules with infrared capabilities, but if I had gone out I would have caught them red handed in the act."

The motivation behind this kind of incident is always a difficult thing to determine. Speculation ranges from a couple of good old boys, fuelled by months of political wrangling over the possibility of an airport expansion to drunken fools or kids on a joy ride without the sense to protect their own vehicle from damage.

The OPP confirmed that the matter remains under investigation and is classified as unsolved at the present time. ■

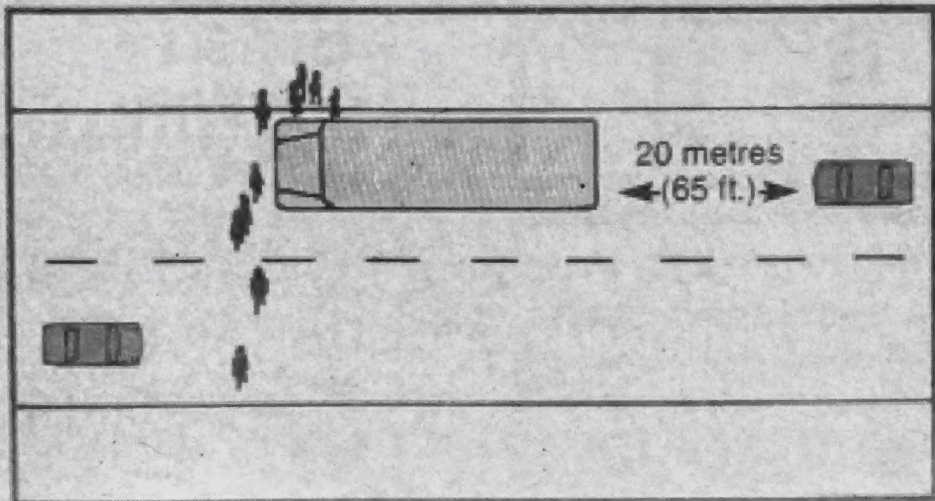
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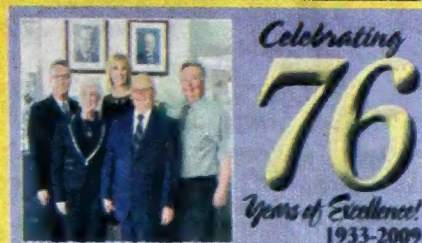
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What are you doing this thanksgiving? What are you thankful for? What's your favourite part of thanksgiving?



Cathie Paziuk, Oshawa

We've rented a cottage on Kennisis Lake, it's nice to spend time as a family and to come for the colours. Almost every year we will rent a cottage and the last couple of years we've spent the time in the Kawarthas. I'm thankful for my family and good health, I'm really grateful to provide a nice thanksgiving for my family and to be fortunate to give them a good dinner as not everyone can. My favourite bit about thanksgiving is the weather you get this time of year, I love the leaves and the chance to be able to spend time with my sons who come back from university for the holiday.



Gail Richardson, Scarborough

It's becoming a tradition to come up to the cottage every year, this is our third year now, we're having turkey dinner on Saturday, there will be 19 of us and ill be cooking the turkey! Then we do it all over again on Monday back in the city! But someone else will be cooking the turkey that day! I'm thankful for my family as we all come together and seeing everyone. I enjoy playing bridge after dinner is over.



Patty Page, Toronto

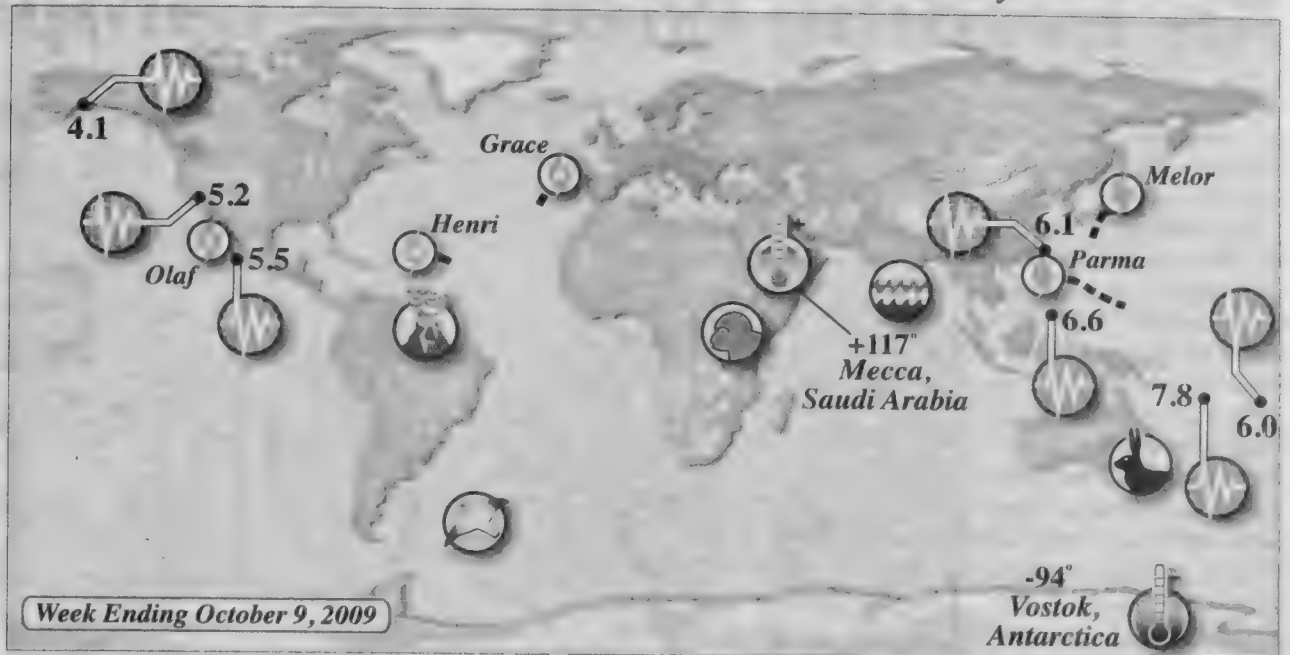
This thanksgiving we're staying at home, we'll be cooking a male chicken, a capon and having friends over. I'm thankful to be alive and to be able to see everything. I'm thankful to my aunt who introduced me to Haliburton when I was young, she ran the Kenmar Lodge and I would come up to visit her. I love this time of year, it's so beautiful, it's the height of mother nature and this holiday season really seems to tie together with the colours, the local people of Haliburton are so friendly too we love coming up here.

Sheevani Ignasinski, Detroit, MI

Every year we'll go to my husband's parents place in Michigan, we have a very traditional thanksgiving. It's nice to hang out there and a chance to relax. I'm thankful for the unconditional love of family and friends. My favourite part is probably the dinner, I love the food, I'm not gonna lie! I definitely look forward to the feast.

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Climate Aggression

Wildlife in East Africa have been observed becoming more violent and aggressive due to the effects of climate change, according to the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS). "Wildlife such as elephants have become bolder, frequently raiding human settlements in search of food and water, and baboons have been seen killing lambs," KWS scientist Judith Nyunja told Kenya's *Business Daily*. She added that hippopotami have been observed invading farms, where they feed on fruit. Nyunja says competition for diminishing resources is causing more human-wildlife conflicts, often resulting in the deaths of the animals. Climate change has resulted in East Africa being parched by drought about every two or three years compared to the previous long-term average of around once per decade.

Cyclone Disaster

The United Nations made an urgent appeal for \$75 million to help the Philippines recover from two devastating tropical cyclones within as many weeks. Tropical Storm Ketsana dumped a month's worth of rainfall within just nine hours, submerging parts of Manila and other cities. Nearly 300 people died in that inundation. Typhoon Parma then stalled over northern parts of the country for several days.

- Former Category 5 Typhoon Melor killed two people and injured dozens of others as it became the first such storm to make a direct hit on Japan in more than two years.

- Tropical Storm Olaf drenched Mexico's Baja peninsula.

- Subtropical Storm Grace formed in the North Atlantic. Tropical Storm Henri spun up briefly north of the Windward Island.

Indian Flood Disaster

Some of southern India's worst flooding in decades has left at least 2.5 million people homeless across the states of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. More than 300 others are reported to have died in the flood disaster. Millions of acres of farmland, including the region's key sugarcane crop, have been submerged. National and international relief agencies and organizations were mobilized to combat the spread of disease, and to provide food, clean water and medicine to the vast affected area. The flooding is blamed on a disturbance that moved ashore from the Bay of Bengal. It came shortly after meteorologists announced that a weak summer monsoon had brought northern India its worst drought since 1972.

Caribbean Plumes

Montserrat's Soufriere Hills volcano shot a plume of ash more than 2 miles above the eastern Caribbean sky twice during the mountain's first sign of activity in 10 months. The ash cloud drifted out to sea over uninhabited parts of the island, including the abandoned capital of Plymouth, which was destroyed in a 1996 eruption.

Earthquakes

A series of three strong quakes within minutes around Vanuatu sparked a brief tsunami alert across the Pacific. Only a small rise in sea level was detected, and there were no reports of damage or injuries.

- Earth movements were also felt in Mexico's Pacific resort of Puerto Vallarta, south-central Alaska, Taiwan, the southern Philippines, the Samoa-Tonga aftershock zone and California's remote Owens Valley.

Hopping Invasion

A huge invasion of rabbits around one southeastern Australian city threatens to destroy key infrastructure and wreck the livelihood of area farmers. Residents of Aberdeen say the furry marauders are burrowing beneath the foundations of their homes, as well as damaging highways and rail lines. Crops and flowerbeds are also not safe. "You don't even bother trying to grow anything anymore because the mongrels will just go for it," farmhand Ken Smith told the *Daily Telegraph*. Town leaders are drawing up a plan to combat the invasion, but many feel it's too late to get rid of an infestation that has been growing steadily for 10 years.

Whale-Bird Teamwork

Scientists who attached miniature digital cameras to the backs of four albatrosses have retrieved some remarkable photos showing how the birds feed alongside whales at sea. The cameras were carried by black-browed albatrosses from breeding colonies in the British overseas territory of South Georgia, in the far southern Atlantic Ocean. From among the nearly 29,000 images taken during single foraging trips made by the birds, some show the birds diving around a killer whale, a strategy albatrosses may have developed to make catching fish easier. Richard Phillips from the British Antarctic Survey, one of the three international organizations involved in the study, says the albatrosses' teamwork with marine mammals is similar to the way tropical birds work with tuna.

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An Evening with Kate Campbell

Zoe Cittern
Staff Reporter

"My Favourite Things", an evening with Kate Campbell, was the perfect way to begin the Thanksgiving weekend last Saturday night. With the audience cosy under blankets and sipping hot drinks, Kate's old time voice filled the Wintergreen barn with warmth as she relived many of the classic blues and jazz songs of the 40s and 50s.

Listing Ella Fitzgerald and Dina Watson as some of her influences: "I grew up thinking they were my aunts and uncles" she says with a laugh. It's certainly refreshing to see young artists embrace older generations of music. A few songs into Kate's performance it becomes clear where her love for jazz and blues music comes from, "I was fed old movies my entire life, and my mother would sing to me when I was little". The nightclub where she now performs used to showcase the Ratpack. It seems like this new chapter in her life is perfect for her love of the genre as she retold stories of her time in Beverly Hills where she was honoured to sing "Somewhere..." a request from Victor Flemings daughter, the director of the Wizard of Oz and Gone with the Wind.

Kate grew up on Soyers Lake, attended Haliburton High School and performed at the Highland Summer Festivals. After studying musical theatre at Sheridan College she soon graduated to the lights of LA where she now plays at Nic's Martini Lounge in Beverly Hills. Though she still frequents Haliburton and was delighted to play the Wintergreen Stage on Saturday night (for the first time), she said that she



"loves home audiences and that everyone is very supportive and fabulous." Perhaps her nerves would be more rattled in front of her hometown, but she certainly didn't seem too worried. Talking to

the audience and making fun of her stumbles, she said before she hit the stage that "it's the greatest time to be performing here; it's the most fulfilling and fun."

Kate has always been a performer, mixing acting with singing in stage performances of Grease and the Sound of Music and more recently appearing on stage in Burn This alongside David Conrad of Ghost Whisperer fame at the New Hazlett Theatre in Pittsburgh. However when asked which medium she prefers "at the moment it is definitely singing, it's so freeing."

Kate releases her debut album next month a collection of originals by Harve Mann with some covers. She says that she will never not be interested in coming back to Haliburton to

perform. Before her first song of the night she spoke of her happiness to be home and that "there is no place like this on earth" and told the audience how thankful she was for the evenings performance. Covering songs by Billie Holliday, Judy Garland, Barbara Streisand, Sammy Davis Jr. and Johnny Mathis who "she could listen to forever" it's hard to believe that Kate is so young yet so gifted. Her voice embodies the era

so well: deep and soothing with a jazzy twist for the up-tempo songs.

Friends and family of Kate were dotted amongst the audience where one family friend who was there to support and watch Kate said thoughtfully, "she has such a beautiful voice and I like that she sings a lot of the old standards." Well-known local pianist, teacher, and choir leader Melissa Stephens, who accompanied Kate on the stage, has been playing with Kate on and off for 15 years, "I taught Kate privately and sometimes, like this time, she'll call and say lets do this and we do!" Speaking about what she likes of the musical era Kate performs in, "it's easy, there is lots of give and take, no right or wrong way to perform it." Asked if she has any upcoming plans to perform with Kate again in the future, Melissa said, "well she comes back quite often so I hope to work with her again soon. It's great fun to work with her, she definitely knows her stuff." And we also hope that Kate will be back soon to dazzle us with her voice again. ■

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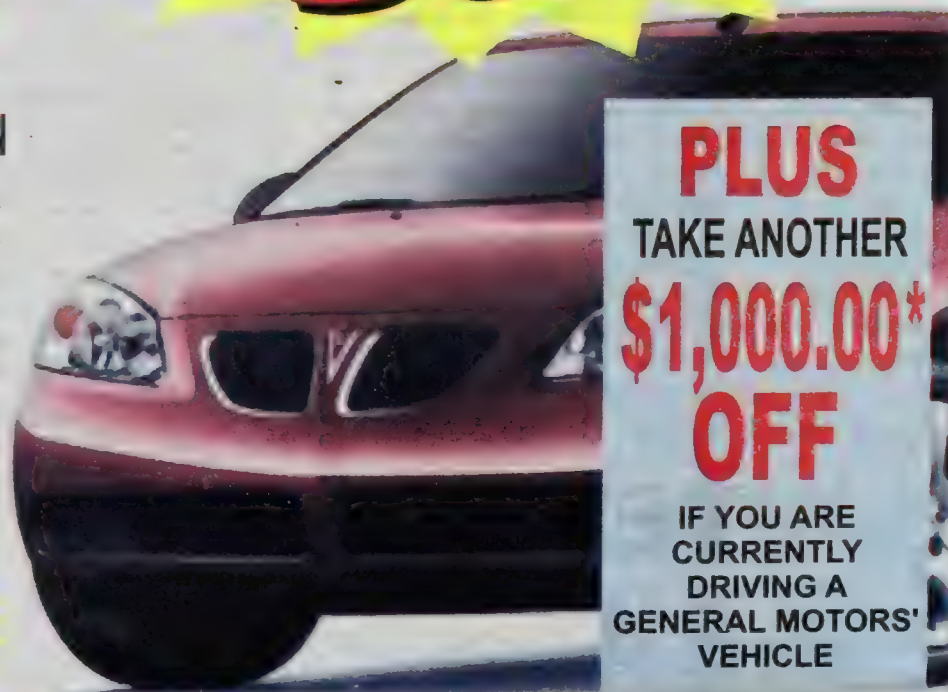
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Snowmobile Bridge in Minden Hills gets a Green Light

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

Despite the rapid approach of winter, one special project in Minden is about to get underway. Snowmobile enthusiasts wanting to access the downtown will be treated to a new crossing over the Gull River this winter. Even better, the new floating bridge can be easily removed or cantilevered open to create docking areas for summer visitors wanting to access community restaurants and shops.

The snowmobile bridge has been carefully researched by members of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) who made a pitch a number of months ago to partner with the Minden Hills Council to install a bridge thereby strengthening the community's reputation as a snowmobiling destination.

Last week the Council heard a presentation by Brian Basterfield (Basterfield & Associates) detailing the placement of the bridge, which is only one component of the improvements along the river corridor.

The bridge, which including ramps has a 125 foot span across the river, will be placed at the end of Peck Street and cross over to Orde Street in a location where, according to Basterfield there is a convenient opening between existing trees. Two ramps will be constructed along either shore of the river. The route will continue from Orde Street to Deep Bay Road, Bobcaygeon Road and on to the current trail system in place.

According to Basterfield, another phase of the project will be to look at a trail system that will take people from Riverwalk up to the Cultural Centre. He stressed the need to look carefully at the interface between snowmobile and pedestrian traffic.

Basterfield said, "This will be a good system for the community and a good location to divert traffic while allowing snowmobile traffic into the core area of town." He described final approach work and landscaping that would accompany the installation (although it is anticipated that some of the landscaping work may be deferred until the spring).

"One of the summer options is to pull a pin from the mid section of the bridge to swing it out. We're still finalizing how that will work," said Basterfield.

Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch commented that what was being proposed was an agreement for shared responsibility for the bridge between HCSA and the municipality. Basterfield confirmed the understanding that the club would check the bridge structure for damage at the end of each season.

Given the questions and responses back and forth between Murdoch and several members of Council it was apparent that some of the details of this responsibility agreement are still being finalized.

As there were a number of people in the audience, Reeve Jim McMahon asked if there was anyone present who had questions or concerns. He said, "I would hate to be accused of ramming this project through without people hearing about it. We want to ensure that the public have an opportunity to pose questions." However, there were no questions from the gallery.

This project has received approval from the Canada Ontario Infrastructure Secretariat to sole source the engineering, construction and installation of the bridge which forms part of the greater Riverwalk project. The decision was made based on the extensive research conducted by HCSA over the last year on the suitability of the bridge to cross the Gull River.

The bridge itself will cost a total of \$63,950; an amount that is well within the budgeted amount. It is to be built in two sections which will be bolted together in one solid piece to prevent movement as machines drive across. Additional flotation will be provided under each end to take into account the weight of ramps at each end. Removable railings will also be provided on the ramps and bridge which would have bumpers or curbs on them to prevent snowmobile skis from becoming wedged against the railing posts. The bridge will be anchored in place using four 3 ton concrete anchors to be buried in the riverbank.

Council passed a resolution authorizing a contract with the supplier.

Similar bridge projects in Port Carling and spanning the Muskoka River in Bracebridge have proved to be extremely successful. The bridge in Bracebridge has been in place for over 17 years and continues to be a 'must ride' attraction for visitors and sledders in the area. ■

Fuel for Warmth Ramps up Operations

"This program will help people get back on their feet." (Lindsay MacLean)

Last year two women in Minden decided they would like to help community residents who are struggling to provide warmth for their families over the long winter months. Lindsay MacLean and Joanne Barnes, who have volunteered for years at the Minden Food Bank, have established a program called 'Fuel for Warmth' to do just that.

MacLean and Barnes are trying to reach out with a gift of emergency wood or fuel to people without money or heat in their homes; to people who have fallen through the cracks of other social programs, don't qualify for programs or are waiting for financial assistance. With this in mind, they approached the Minden Hills Council at their meeting on October 8th to ask for some help.

MacLean detailed their proposal to Council, saying that assistance from Fuel for Warmth would be provided strictly on emergency basis. She said, "We have learned about many families that went cold last year and thankfully people have been able to provide some wood to help. That's what resulted in our establishing this program, to assist families, individuals or seniors and keep them from being cold."

"It's a crying shame and shouldn't happen in our community," she said. "This program helps them to get back on their feet and keep warm between December 1st and March 31st." MacLean also said that at this point they were unsure how big the program would get and they are trying to determine just how many people they could help.

Barnes advised Council that, given the cost of getting charitable status, they had partnered with the Minden Bible Church that would be offering financial administrative assistance. She said, "All monies will be placed in a separate account. We do not actually handle any of the money." Barnes further explained that she and MacLean would arrange for fuel deliveries with the fuel companies.

One of the challenges the women will have is that the fuel companies have minimum delivery amounts but have agreed to a \$200 value as long as the clients can demonstrate that their tanks and furnaces are certified and up to code.

"We have firewood available and the ability to purchase propane and oil in smaller amounts than people could normally purchase on their own. We're hoping to provide at least two weeks of fuel."

Fuel for Warmth has some money already set aside from donations and they are accumulating wood. MacLean said, "We have had offers of wood from loggers, but we have no ability to cut or gather and deliver the wood. We're looking for volunteers to help who can have some of the wood in lieu of payment for their work."

Barnes said that they were hoping for some support for their first formal year of operations from the Minden Hills Council.

Councillor Rick Ratcliffe asked if they were actively seeking grants or partnerships with other agencies and Barnes said they were just in the beginning stages of investigating what was available to them, adding that they had been given some exposure in local papers.

As to who qualifies, according to MacLean and Barnes individuals who have lost their employment, have had their hours cut back severely, seniors who are waiting for their pension or seasonal workers waiting for assistance will all be considered.

Reeve Jim McMahon advised MacLean and Barnes that their request would be deferred until Council held their budget deliberations later in the year. In the meantime, donations can be mailed to Fuel for Warmth at Box 245 in Minden (K0M 2K0) or for information contact 705-286-3561 or 455-3227. ■

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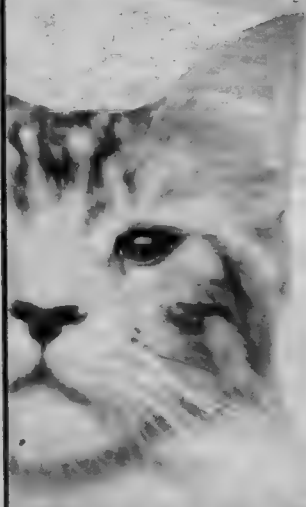
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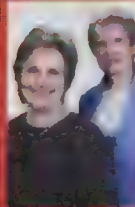
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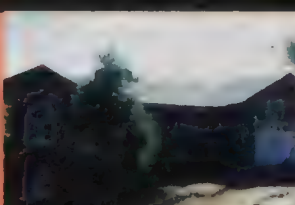


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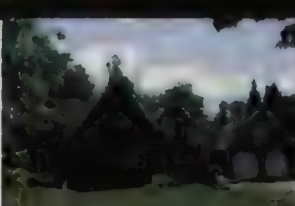


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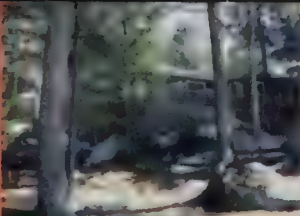


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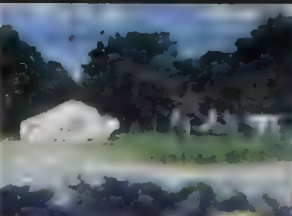


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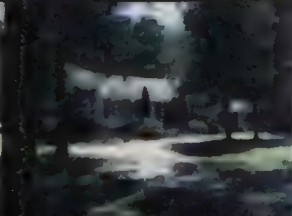


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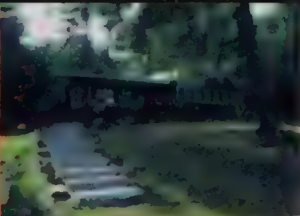


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Iditarod: the race of a lifetime

Zoe Cittern
Staff Reporter

"It puts a bond between you and your dogs and there better be a bond to run that kind of distance" says Hank DeBruin while gazing out of his window towards the kennels where his 140 purebred Siberian huskies live. Next March DeBruin is setting out to accomplish an amazing feat; a 1200 mile dog sledding trip across harsh terrain, set against the backdrop of some of Mother Nature's most beautiful landscapes. Hank and his family run the well known and popular dog-sledding tour company 'Winterdance'. 5000 acres of forest situated just north of from Drag Lake present the perfect opportunity to let a pack of huskies take you on a tour through the snow covered trails to make you really feel like you're on the ride of your life. Truly an incredibly experience.

Before snowmobiles and other machines inhabited our land dog sleds were a vital and crucial way to travel to barren and undeveloped areas. In 1925 the entire community of Nome, a small village in Western Alaska, would have been wiped out if it hadn't have been for the speed of the dogs and the mushers that delivered a life line to the diphtheria ridden area. The trail was also used extensively to deliver mail and when the gold rush began the dog sleds followed. In 1973 Alaskans wanted to pay tribute to the heroes who had travelled the vast trail and so the Iditarod race was started. Men and women from all over the world compete in what is known as "the last great race on earth," challenging themselves to battle against the elements and the unknown wilderness.

The race not only remembers the mushers of years ago but also gives the "small communities along the trail an economic boost" adds Hank's wife, Tanya McCready. Tanya is just as enthusiastic about the sport as Hank. Along with their children Logan, Dustyn, Michaela and Jess the time running up to the Iditarod race is a team event and all of the children apart from Jess, who is only two, race dogs. Michaela who began at three years old riding behind a lone husky in last years Dogsled Derby held in Haliburton.

The Iditarod race is certainly not for everyone. "You have to put in full time commitment, it becomes a lifestyle, everything revolves around the dogs" says a passionate DeBruin. There are several races that Hank had to compete in before he qualified for the race that he has been waiting 13 years to enter. "The race is originally why we set up the dog sledding business in the first place, it was always the long term goal and the thinking behind all of this" states Hank.

So how did they get into the sport and how did they manage to accumulate 140 dogs? "I was an environmental engineer and Hank was a millwright" says Tanya. "We lived in Guelph and bought a husky for a pet, we went dog sledding a few times and then the number of dogs we got just evolved so we could form our own dog sledding pack." The business launched in 1999 and next year Hank will finally be able to put his dream into action.

To qualify for the race competitors must complete an overall distance of 2500 miles under a set time and the musher must have a personal recommendation also, "its not just about the racing, they want to know that you'll be able to look after your dogs if one of them becomes ill. You also have to be not only physically fit but mentally strong as well."

Hank hopes to complete the trail in just 14 days; the fastest time ever was eight days in 2002. The dogs can run at 10 mph for six hours and then they rest for six hours. Though there

is one pack member who won't be sleeping much. That would be Hank. Sleep deprivation will be a huge hurdle for him to get over as even though they must rest his mind will be constantly focused on the job at hand and there are wild animals to contend with too. In the past dogs in the past have been ravaged by moose; Hank will be bringing a gun.

There isn't just the formidable weather and distance to overcome. There is the wilderness too, not seeing any sign of civilization for miles and the loneliness itself can make a person go crazy. Though for Hank it's different, "whether it's minus ten or minus 60 out I don't have a problem being in the wilderness, you just have to have your bush smarts about you." That's where the bond between him and his dogs comes into play; the bond has to be there for them to complete the journey together otherwise it just wouldn't work. However that doesn't mean that Hank won't be nervous leading up to the race, "there are guys who have

done the race 15 or 20 times who still get nervous, there definitely won't be much sleep the night before." Hank will begin with 16 dogs however there are 22 checkpoints along the way so if one of the dogs is struggling Hank can choose to leave a dog to carry on with the race, though the musher must finish with 12. "There would have to be some luck for us to finish with all the dogs we set out with" says a thoughtful DeBruin.

It's not just Hank who will be heading out to Alaska: the entire family will be making the journey. The older children Logan and Dustyn are very much into the sport and proud of their father and they appear to be very happy about the time they'll get off school! The race begins March 6th 2010 and on February 10th they'll begin the long drive to Alaska.

It is amazing what Hank and his family are setting out to accomplish but it wouldn't be anything without their incredible dogs which have

mostly been bred by the DeBruins. Siberian huskies are born to run "they live to run, they sulk if they can't do it" says Adam Barkovitz, a fellow musher who is starting his third year at 'Winterdance'. These dogs are truly incredible creatures; I'm told that the dogs have pulled a one ton truck before and helped cars out of snow banks. In the current fall season the dogs run pulling an ATV with someone riding on the back to begin training for the Iditarod. Walking around the kennels is an amazing sight and Adam loves how "everyday is a new adventure." It does seem like a fantastic job, to become friends with the animals and to develop that bond, "over time the dogs' personalities change which is really neat" adds Adam. The dogs will wear booties every step of the race to ensure that their paws are not damaged from the ice cold over the hundreds of miles they'll have to cross.

The biggest challenge of the entire race DeBruin believes will be crossing the Bering Strait. The dogs are not used to the openness which will make it hard for them to focus upon something in the distance, and coupled with the wind drift it'll make for a very difficult section of the race.

There will be two more races before the final challenge, two 400 miles races to get the dogs up to par. And a month before the race Hank will whittle his crew down from 20 to 16 for the final race team and I can't help but feel sorry for the dogs who will not get picked to race after learning how much they enjoy running; maybe they'll qualify for 2011 instead.

Tanya and Hank will be hosting their last kennel tours of the season on October 17th, a chance to see their beautiful dogs and to learn more about the Iditarod race: book your spot soon as the last tour ran out very quickly. For more information email info@winterdance.com or phone (705) 457-5281. ■



From L-R: Logan, Hank and Dustyn sit with one of their 140 purebred Siberian huskies



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Thousands of dollars worth of awards were handed out last Saturday to deserving students at the annual Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Honours and Awards Ceremony. Individual awards ranged from 50 to 1000 dollars, each celebrating a student's achievement in a particular academic field or contribution to the school and community.

Madeline Ferracuti, a grade 12 graduate, won the most awards at the ceremony, including the prestigious Lieutenant Governor's Community Volunteer Award for Students. Ferracuti was recognized for her exemplary record of volunteer service to the community. The award is a Commemorative Pin.

The final individual award of the ceremony was presented to Daniel Wright, winner of the Governor General's Academic Medal. Wright received the medal for achieving the highest academic standing in the graduating class.

In addition to individual prize awards, the ceremony also recognized students with perfect attendance and honours. ■

Matthew Flowers
Staff Reporter



Far Left: multiple award winner Madeline Ferracuti is congratulated by HHSS Principal Gary Brohman.

Left: Daniel Wright accepts his Governor General's Academic Medal for the highest academic standing in the academic class.

Above: This year's winners of the 2009 Queen Elizabeth II Top Scholarships: Top Row: Claire Flatman, Karl Kadwell, Jocelyn Townsend; Middle Row: Chelsea Teatro, Krista Patterson, Sarah Varty; Front Row: Dillon Woudstra, Holly Quibell.

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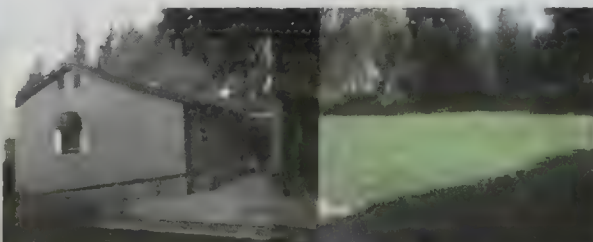
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Senior Boys Soccer Clinch First Place in their Division Defeat Brock 5-4



After dropping a game against Fenelon Falls on October 6th, the senior soccer squad didn't want to close out the week by losing at home two days later. The Hawks took the pressure off by attacking from the first whistle and never relented, defeating the Brock Bulldogs 5-4.

"Go out and play hard," said head coach Brett Caputo to his players before the game. "Don't wait around for 15 minutes getting warmed up."

The team responded by outthrusting the Bulldogs on every play in the early going. The team utilized a kick-and-run strategy, putting pressure on Brock's defence, whom were slower than the Haliburton forwards. The constant pressure brought on a lot of offside calls that took away many quality scoring chances for the Hawks.

Jesse Lefebvre led the way on offense, scoring four goals and creating numerous chances, including a shot that hit the goal post. His speed especially wreaked havoc on the defence; it seemed Brock's only answer for him was hoping the ref would call him offside. The four goals make up six goals Lefebvre scored on the week, as he had two against Fenelon Falls. Conner Cowan scored the other goal for the Hawks.

The Hawks seemingly had the game in hand at 5-2 midway through the 2nd half, but Brock stepped up their game and scored a couple of goals to get within one. Goalkeeper Cody Donaldson was able to make some nice saves at the end to preserve the win.

The Hawks clinched first place in the AA Division. They'll host Brock on October 23rd for the Kawartha West Championship.



Juniors win 4-2

Brock took it to Haliburton the first time they played each other this season, but it was the Hawks who prevailed this time, winning 4-2.

Tanner Ballantyne scored two goals, while Mike Mazara and Jacob Harrison scored one apiece.

The Bulldogs had a 2-1 lead at one point, but the Hawks were able to tie it up with a penalty shot goal by Mike Mazara. Haliburton took over from there as they dictated the game with solid team work, supporting each other with good passing plays.

The best play for the Hawks resulted in Harrison's goal. The Hawks pushed the ball up from defence and were able to send Tanner Hamilton and Harrison on a 2-on-1 break. Hamilton took the ball down the left wing, drawing the defender to him. The Brock goaltender came out to challenge as well, but Hamilton made a nice chip pass that sailed over the goalie and right to Harrison, who made the beautiful header for a 3-2 lead. ■

HHSS Girls Basketball Teams Can't Slow Speedy Spartans



The senior Red Hawks had trouble finding a consistent offensive rhythm against the LCVI Spartans last Tuesday, losing 45-19. The Spartans had a dominating first half, thanks in large part to a stingy defence that halted the

Hawks' ability to set-up on offense. The Hawks also played some good defence, keeping most shots to the outside, not allowing passes through for easy layups. The Spartans, however, made some 3-pointers to make up for it.

Hillary Hawley led all scorers for the Hawks with eight points, while Katrina Chvedukas had a great game with five points and solid rebounding. Christianna Walker showed a great all-around game, scoring four points and playing good defence.

The Hawks played a terrific 3rd quarter as they outscored the Spartans 10-5, including an 8-0 run to end the frame. The team used their speed to run the floor, scoring several points off turnovers they forced the Spartans to make.

"They played some really fast-paced and exciting basketball," said head coach Karen Gervais about the 3rd quarter. "The team fed off each other's energy and played a really up-tempo quarter."

Unfortunately for the Hawks, they couldn't keep it going in the final quarter as momentum shifted back to the Spartans. Feeding off the energy from the third quarter, the Spartans played relentless basketball to close it out, making quick passes and scoring many fast-break points.

Juniors

The juniors also faced a tough LCVI team, as they were unable to find the answer on defence in a 55-14 loss.

The Spartans seemed to hit every shot they attempted in the first quarter, scoring 22 straight points before Haliburton could answer. They out-rebounded the Hawks by a significant margin in the first half, resulting in many easy layups. The Hawks were limited to just two points in the first half.

Haliburton stepped it up in the second half, getting a lot more rebounds and generating more scoring plays. The fourth quarter was especially good for the Hawks, scoring eight points in the frame thanks to solid team play. ■



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Haliburton High Names Field after Principal Brohman

Gary Brohman has seen a lot of changes at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) over the years he's been with the school. The most special may have come last week when a new scoreboard was erected over the field. Underneath – the words Gary G. Brohman Athletic Field. The formerly nameless field is now dedicated to a man who's been with the school for 38 years, 17 of them as principal.

"It is a celebration of his dedication," says Athletics Director Ron Yake. "To honour his contributions to athletics as a teacher, coach, and administrator."

Along with physical education teacher Tim Davies, Yake sent a letter to the Board of Education requesting permission to name the field after Brohman. The letter mentions how Brohman started the football program in the early 1970's, as well as his efforts in promoting the benefits of sport involvement.

"I'm thrilled and at the same time humbled," said Brohman of the honour.

Though Yake and Davies were responsible for naming the field, Brohman was behind the push to get a scoreboard.

"Four years ago I asked, 'why not get a scoreboard?'" said Brohman. "I believe no school is too small to have a scoreboard, why not the home of the Red Hawks? It finally came to fruition last June, but it was Yake and Davies' idea to name the field after me."

The scoreboard was erected last Thursday and is hoped to be in use by today's soccer game, though next week is more likely. It is operated by remote, meaning the operator can be standing anywhere on the field to update the scoreboard. For Brohman, the scoreboard is just another example of something that benefits the school he loves so much.

"I've never had a bad day in all the years I've worked here – just bad hours," said Brohman with a laugh. Anyone who has talked to Brohman or have seen him around the school cannot deny he loves his work. It's more than a job for Brohman, though.

"It's just a wonderful foundation, this school. 'Home of the Red Hawks' – it's a family."

It is Brohman's passion for the school that Yake points out in his letter to the Board of Education.

"Mr. Gary Brohman wears the 'Pride of the Red' on his sleeve each and every day at HHSS as well as the community at large," reads the letter. "To many past students he is recognized simply as 'Coach Broh'."

For a principal who wonders when he'll some day step down and retire, Coach Broh can take pride knowing his dedication to Hal High will live on forever. ■

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Moments in time

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On Oct. 19, 1931, David Cornwell, later known as spy novelist John le Carre, is born in Poole, England. He joined the British Foreign Service in 1959. His 1986 book, "A Perfect Spy," was the first of his novels not submitted to the British government for approval and possible censorship, given his former intelligence status.

On Oct. 20, 1774, the First Continental Congress creates the Continental Association, which calls for a complete ban on all trade between America and Great Britain of all goods, wares or merchandise. It was one of the first acts of Congress behind which every colony firmly stood.

On Oct. 21, 1962, Chubby Checker sings his 1960 No. 1 hit, "The Twist," on Ed Sullivan's variety show. His appearance boosted sales of the record, and in January the song hit No. 1 again, making "The Twist" the only record ever to top the charts twice.

On Oct. 22, 1797, the first parachute jump of note is made by Andre-Jacques Garnerin from a hydrogen balloon 3,200 feet above Paris. As he failed to include an air vent at the top of the prototype, Garnerin oscillated wildly in his descent, and he landed shaken but unhurt.



Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

GIFTS FOR GRANDCHILDREN CAN BE BOTH FUN AND PRACTICAL

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Where's the Fun in Upstate New York" (July 26), whose husband, "Hugh," insisted they buy their grandson a \$100 savings bond for his first birthday when she wanted to splurge on toys and clothes. I understand her frustration. Couples should decide together what to do, not tell the other what will be done. That said, I agree with Hugh that \$100 to \$150 on gifts for a 1-year-old is excessive. The child's room will soon look like an overloaded toy store. I have seen this in our extended family. At Christmas it took 2 1/2 hours to open all the gifts. Egads! We've become a nation of excess, and kids expect it. Years ago, I approached the parents of our godchildren with the offer of savings bonds on holidays, which they gratefully accepted. Two of the "children" are now in college, and we're pleased we lifted a bit of the burden of the cost they'll face. I know it's not a "fun" gift, especially for the little ones, so we always include a token present for "now." I hope that couple can reach a similar agreement and not let this drive a wedge. — SENSIBLE IN IOWA

DEAR SENSIBLE: The majority of those who wrote to comment on the letter from "Where's the Fun" were — like you — as concerned about the state of the woman's marriage as the gift issue. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: It's not like you to miss the warning sign of a controlling spouse. If Hugh is truly "wonderful in every way," then they should agree to disagree on this issue. She should spend what she wants, within reason, on gifts of her choice for their grandson's birthday. If he feels strongly about the savings bond, which is also a wonderful gift, then they should get that, too. Because they are financially comfortable, and this is the only area of disagreement, surely Hugh can compromise. I am alarmed that he has already decided what they'll be giving the child for every birthday. Grandparents traditionally engage in a mixture of indulgent and practical gift-giving. She was not looking to buy a wildly over-the-top gift. Hugh needs to relax and be a partner, not a dictator. And by the way, "fun" is not a dirty word. It's Baby's first birthday — lighten up! — MELISSA IN NEW YORK

DEAR ABBY: Some spouses suffer from "economic abuse" when one partner dominates financial decisions. I agree that a baby won't be impressed by pricey items, but this woman's gift choices are a form of self-expression. She should be allowed the joy of choosing presents and enjoying her grandbaby, especially since she contributes to household finances, but even if she didn't. Sometimes these gifts become treasured keepsakes passed through generations. — GIVING MY TWO CENTS' WORTH IN ABILENE

DEAR ABBY: While the adults in my life did give me toys and material things for my birthdays and holidays, I am 26 now and I have little recollection of what they were. What I know now is that because of the generous gifts of savings bonds from those loved ones, my fiancé and I were able to make a down payment on a beautiful home without being "house poor." Those bonds allowed us to make a major step forward in our lives and be comfortable and secure. It means the world that the adults who loved me and are no longer with me are part of this house and my new life, even though they could not be at my wedding. — SARAH IN HOUSTON

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I decided early on that we'd open a joint bank account and place half of each of our earnings into it. I opened another account in my name only for the other half. That way, if we disagreed on something — such as a gift — I could buy it myself. It has worked well. I do agree that for the child's first birthday, Hugh's idea is best. The child will appreciate it when he's older. — DEBORAH IN MARIETTA

Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You like to analyze a puzzling situation before you try to resolve it. This makes you excel at getting things done the right way.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Caution dominates the Sheep's monetary aspect this week. Rams and Ewes might want to shear their big spending plans until a more favorable financial picture begins to emerge by week's end.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Thrift counts both at home and at work. So you might want to rethink major purchases or investments. Also, be wary of a so-called revelation about a previous decision.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Both household budgets and workplace accounts might benefit from some judicious trimming of unnecessary expenses. A partnership could lead to an unexpected challenge.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A previously overlooked opportunity could re-emerge with a new travel-related matter. Check this out carefully to see if it's what you really want before you decide one way or another.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This could be the start of a new career-changing phase, so start marking down your many accomplishments for those who need to know how much you have to offer. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) It's not too early for the sometimes procrastinating Virgo to start making those long-distance travel plans. The sooner you decide where to go, when to go and how to go, the better.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Financial matters once again figure in any major action you might take regarding career, travel or other endeavors. You'll want a ready reserve to help you back up those moves.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Trying to resolve a problem in a personal relationship could be more difficult than you'd expected. Look into the possibility that someone might be interfering for his or her own reasons.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A project you once rejected might be more attractive because of changes that you feel you can now work with. The weekend is especially favorable to family matters.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This is a good week for the gregarious Goat to enjoy being with people you care for. You might even want to show off those creative kitchen skills you're so adept at.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A colleague might think your attitude is patronizing or even outright insulting. True. That might be his or her problem. But you might want to take some reassuring steps anyway.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) It's a good time to jettison those old concepts about a family matter you might have been holding on to. This will help make room for a new and more enlightened way of dealing with it.

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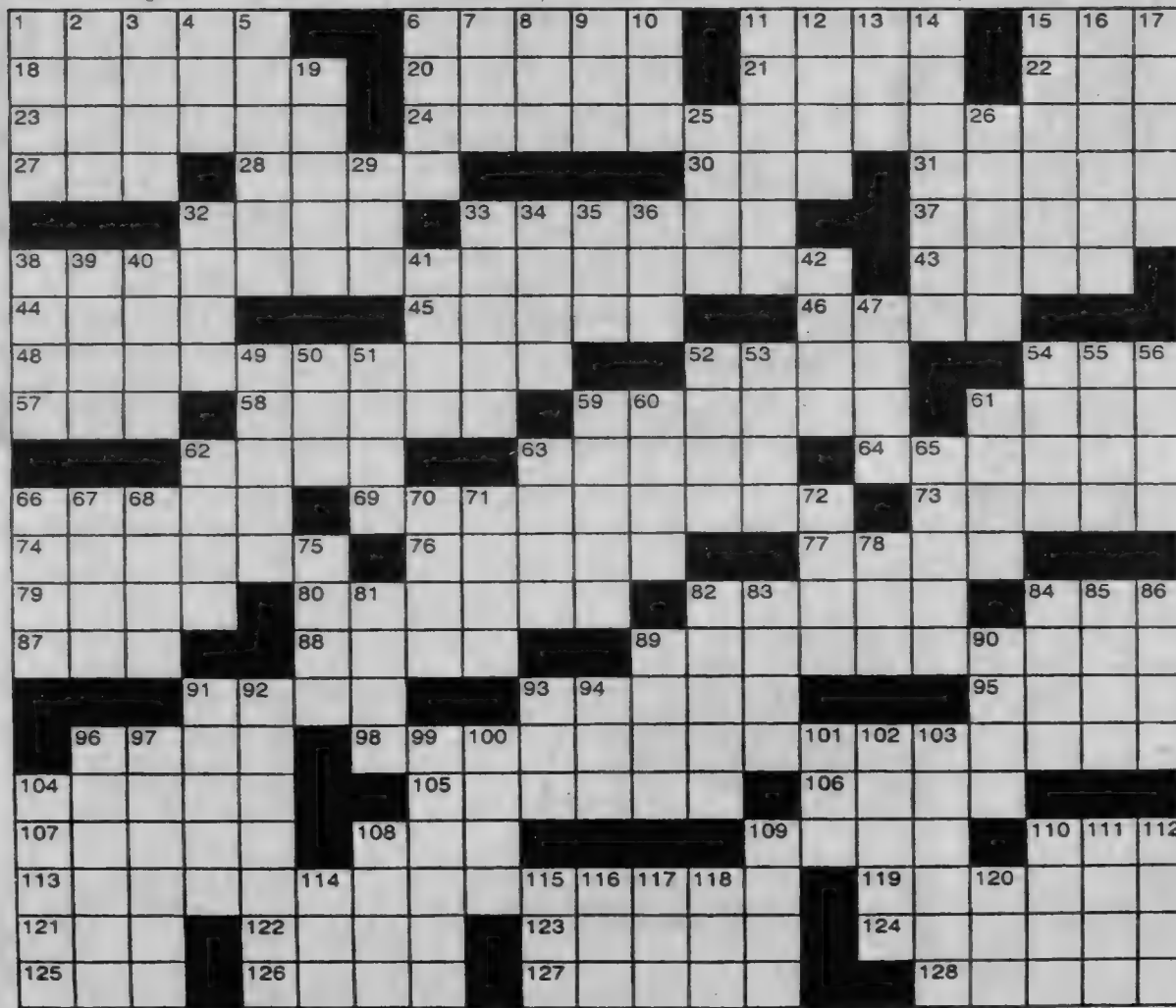
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- "The Shootist": J.W. Answer: _____
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- "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner": S.T. Answer: _____

PH.D. LEVEL

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- "Enter the Dragon": B.L. Answer: _____

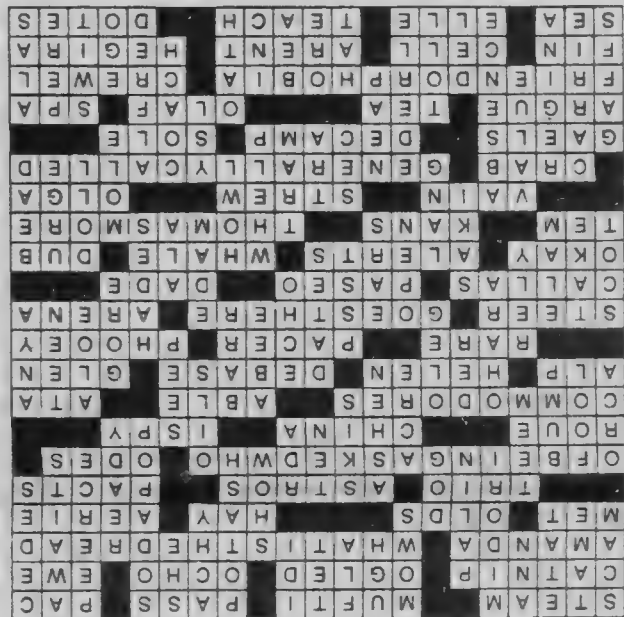
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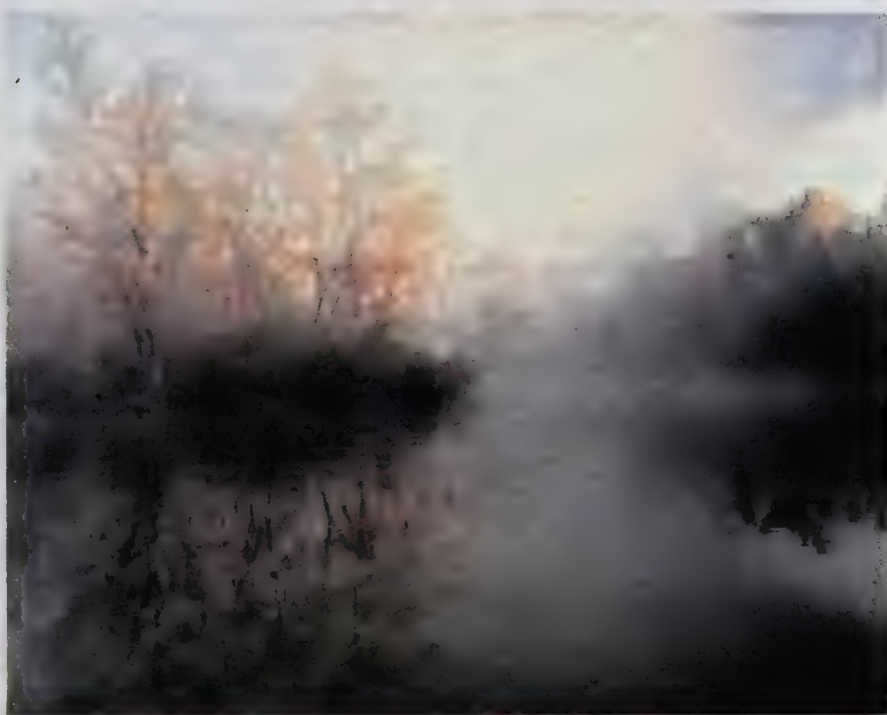
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Stanhope Recreation Project Hits a Snag

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Despite receiving approval for Recreation Infrastructure Canada (RinC) funding, the project that would see a multi-purpose court/skating rink, additional tennis court, soccer field and a small pavilion in Stanhope has hit another small snag.

Consultant John Ashworth met with Council last Thursday to review tender submissions for the project. According to CAO Lorne Mitchell only one of the three tenders received qualified and even it was considerably higher than estimates for the project.

"One tender was received at the Township office by 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday but two other tenders were misdirected and considered disqualified," said Mitchell. "And the one tender that we did open did not represent a competitive bid in our minds as it was approximately \$80,000 over budgeted estimates for the project."

According to Mitchell, because of a possible miscommunication, two of the tenders were sent directly to Ashworth, who brought them (sealed) to the meeting the following day, which effectively disqualified them. "Council has directed Mr. Ashworth to go back and review the technical specifications for the tender and try to find ways to reduce potential costs."

While considered an extremely creative project by Council and one that will prove very beneficial to the community, this project has had a bumpy ride. Mitchell acknowledged that the process has somewhat complicated Council's decision making process.

Because time is of the essence and members of Council felt they needed to be involved, Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner appointed a special Committee of Council to meet with Ashworth next week to go over changes and approve them so the project can be retendered. Mitchell said that the overall scope of the project remains the same at this point.

Gardner said, "The tender didn't include the building we wanted or the lighting and we remained adamant that we would only deal with the money that we have approved." Referring to plans that Ashworth has detailed for some time to continue fund raising and submitting applications to Hydro One and the Trillium Foundation, Gardner said, "We're not interested in going ahead in the hopes of money we don't have yet."

Gardner also said that Ashworth had some ideas that he agreed to follow up on, including looking at the size and type of pad to be used for the multi-purpose court as well as taking out the fencing. "As long as the committee is happy with what is proposed next week, the project will be tendered again and if we have to we can make do with a rink the same as we had last year."

Ashworth approached Council early in the year to work on fund raising strictly on a volunteer basis to build a third tennis court. During the course of his work the project grew substantially until it included his initial goal plus establishing a multi-purpose court, soccer field and a small pavilion to house change rooms, washrooms and storage.

"We need to get this project back on track." (Councillor Carol Moffatt)

By the end of July Ashworth found that the project involved far more time and expenses than he had estimated and he asked Council to consider paying him an hourly rate, part of which he would donate back to the project as an 'in kind' contribution. Caught between a rock and a hard place, Council agreed that Ashworth should continue on with the project.

Councillor Carol Moffatt, who has sit on the Committee along with Councillors Diane Griffin and Don Shortreed, said that she will be unhappy with the way the project has moved forward to this point. She voiced her disappointment that Ashworth's financial statements provided at the meeting fell short of their goals and said, "I think the project itself is fabulous. We just need to get it back on track."

According to Moffatt, Council discussed the possibility of altering the specifications for the project. She said, "The purpose of the ad hoc committee is to ensure Council involvement when deciding what components of the project will remain or how the project will be modified or changed."

Given the time limitations there will be a special committee meeting on Thursday at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers. ■

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Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary: Volunteer of the Year 2009

by Judy Skinner



Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary has named its 2009 Volunteer of the Year. Lil Haight has been a very active member of the Auxiliary since 1999. When volunteers are needed for any of the many tasks performed by Auxiliary members throughout the year, Lil's hand is always one of the first to go up. She can be found managing the Hospital Gift Shop on a regular basis and has been instrumental in painting the beautiful Christmas ornaments sold by the Auxiliary for the past 10 years to name just two of her many involvements.

Lil Haight and her husband were two of the early cottagers on Haliburton Lake when the lake was developed by Ridout Real Estate in 1953 and 1954. To reach the sales office of Ridout, a train was dispatched from Toronto, arriving in Haliburton village, and then a bus took the prospective purchasers to Fort Irwin where the original sales office still exists, tucked in behind the Fort Irwin Marina.

It must have been a daunting journey considering the shape of the roads from Haliburton Village to the Lake, and

one wonders why most of the prospective purchasers weren't frightened away with the thought of how remote and far into the wilderness they were being taken.

It speaks for Lil's sense of adventure and risk taking then, that May of 1954 was the beginning of Lil's life long love affair with the Haliburton Highlands.

Lil retired in June of 1975, and immediately became involved in the creation of the Fort Irwin Residents' Association, a year round adult community recreation centre, which has evolved into the Social Centre for Percy, Ross, West, and Haliburton Lakes.

Lil is a long time member of the Canadian Legion in Haliburton and is often found assisting with the bi-weekly Sunday breakfasts.

At 94 years old, Lil is one of the Auxiliary's most active members and serves as a wonderful role model for other Auxiliary members and the community at large.

As a testament to Lil's stamina and tremendous energy, Lil had her first surgical operation in her 80's when she broke her wrist while line dancing.....

Lil and her Calico cat, Chloe, reside at Echo Hills where Lil, not surprisingly, is currently serving as secretary of the Residents' Association.

Lil is an exceedingly private person who has borne her own personal sorrow and loss with dignity and grace.

We are tremendously pleased that Lil's peers have recognized her untiring efforts and generous spirit in supporting the Auxiliary and have voted overwhelmingly for her as the 2009 Volunteer of the Year. ■

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Naturalist Dan Strickland Addresses Outdoors Association AGM

by Adam Long

The Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (HHOA) gathered at the Haliburton Fish Hatchery for their Annual General Meeting in late September. Keith Hodgson, the HHOA President, welcomed the audience and introduced Treasurer John Ball. The event started off with an address from Keith Hodgson, a founding member of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoor Association, which came into existence in 1992.

According to their Statement of Revenues and Expenses, handed out by the association's Treasurer John Ball, the HHOA is in the green this year.

"This is the first year in quite a few years that we are in the plus," John Ball said. The association has reported a difference of over sixteen thousand dollars from last year, when they were well into the red, reporting a \$12,668 deficiency in revenue and other expenses. This year the association has managed to turn that number around, with an excess of \$4,173. Somehow someone has managed to save money this year.

Besides the friends and relatives of the HHOA in attendance, others showed up to listen to the guest speaker, Dan Strickland. Strickland is a naturalist who has been with Algonquin Park for 35 years, and was the Chief Park Naturalist from 1970 to 2000. He received a Master's of Science degree from the University of Montreal, and spent much of his research studying grey jays and deer populations.

As a guest speaker at the HHOA this weekend, Strickland dedicated his time to discussing the expansion and retraction of white-tailed deer populations in Algonquin.

"The end of the exclusion of wolves in Algonquin has caused both wolves and deer to diminish in the Algonquin area," Strickland said. Strickland's model is anything but simplistic. What he introduces as an explanation for the decrease in deer population is what he refers to as the Suitable Alternative Prey Hypothesis. Strickland's hypothesis suggests that the decrease in deer population is caused by the

presence of the Moose. "The moose is not preferred over the deer," Strickland argues. "The moose is, however, a suitable alternative prey for wolves."

Strickland's findings rely on possible evidence that he has drawn from Anticosti Island, a small island north of Nova Scotia with an over-abundant deer population. There are approximately 150 000 deer on the island, and a human population somewhere around 266.

"The deer on Anticosti Island wiped out ground vegetation, and forced the black bear into exclusion," Strickland said. That's how the deer killed the black bear.

Strickland also illustrated that the natural conditions in Algonquin Park are far better for the survival of deer, than on Anticosti Island, yet there is an overabundance of white-tailed deer on the small maritime island, and virtually none in the area of Algonquin. "Nearly 20,000 deer starve to death during the winter on Anticosti Island," Strickland said. This is due to the lack of proper ground vegetation and the amount of snow that accumulates on the island during the winter months. Since the deer have wiped out ground vegetation, the only thing that has managed to grow in the area is an over accumulation of white spruce.

Strickland argues that the phenomenon in the Algonquin area is quite similar to the phenomenon on Anticosti Island. There are, however, other factors that have a bearing on Strickland's equation. His research relies partly on the work of Earnest Thomson Seton, who documented the historical area of deer populations in North America in the early 1900s. Since that time, the white-tailed deer had expanded northward into the Algonquin area, and within the past years populations have quickly diminished. Strickland argues that the white-tailed deer only expanded into the north because of the exclusion of their natural prey—wolves.

"It is because of the widespread snaring, trapping, and poisoning of wolves." Eighteen to twenty percent of wolves were hunted in the Algonquin area from the early 1900s

until quite recently. Strickland projected slides onto a white screen. "These are pictures that I took of poisoned wolves," he said. "I found these wolves in Algonquin in the 1960's." It was the trapping of wolves that originally allowed the deer to expand north. Strickland referred to this period of snaring, trapping, and poisoning as the exclusion of wolves. Once this period of exclusion ended due to government intervention that prohibited the hunting of wolves, the white-tailed deer populations began to diminish. But so too did the wolf population.

"Deer could only expand north not because of improvement in caring capacity, but because of our role in the exclusion of wolves," Strickland said. It was the widespread hunting of wolves that initially allowed progeny of deer to survive and expand north. Now that human intervention is no longer such an interference predation control, the white-tailed deer is setting back into the historical range outlined by Earnest Thompson Seton. Despite these many factors, Strickland's argument seems rather shocking.

"It is the presence of the moose," Strickland said, "that has caused the extinction of deer in Algonquin Park." Strickland argues that this is similar to how the presence of deer on Anticosti Island forced the black bear into extinction in that area.

Strickland provides a convincing argument on the movement of deer populations. But he has faced much skepticism. Only a very intricate model can take into account every environmental factor for the movement of deer populations—both natural and controlled. Strickland has been unsuccessful in his attempts to publish his research in a scientific journal, and has decided to self-publish his findings. Although convincing, it's hard to make an argument for how the moose killed the deer. ■



Township of Algonquin Highlands

REQUEST FOR TENDER

Outdoor Skating Rink & Multi-Purpose Court

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER, 2009

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is requesting Design / Build Tender Prices for the conversion of a 60 ft by 120 ft asphalt tennis court at the Stanhope Municipal Park into a recreational outdoor, un-refrigerated ice rink and multi-purpose – basketball court.

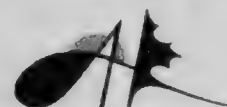
Bidders shall have prior experience in outdoor natural ice rink construction and must provide their design specifications for the rink floor which shall include how the structure will survive freeze-thaw cycles, how the ice is to be retained, and how the surface drains during the summer.

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands
1123 North Shore Road, Minden, ON. K0M 2K0
For further information contact:

John Ashworth, Project Manager
Ashworth & Associates
15140 Warden Avenue, Stouffville, Ontario L4A 7X5
Tel: 905-888-4727 or 1-866-913-4727 or Cell: 416-434-2723
Email: johnashworth@primus.ca
or:

Lorne Mitchell, Chief Administrative Officer
Township of Algonquin Highlands
Tel: 705-489-2379, Fax: 705-489-3491
Email: lmitchell@algonquinhighlands.ca



Township of Algonquin Highlands

REQUEST FOR TENDER

New Tennis Court Construction & Repairs-Resurfacing 2 existing Courts

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 23rd OCTOBER, 2009

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is requesting Tender Prices for repairs and repainting or resurfacing and repainting of two existing tennis courts plus building one or two new tennis courts at the Stanhope Municipal Park at 1123 North Shore Road, Minden.

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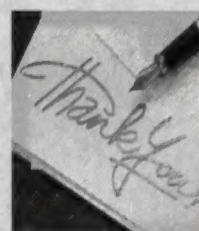
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The Toye Family

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Rotary Presents \$15,000 Cheque to HHHSF

For the third time this year the Rotary Club of Haliburton presented a \$15,000 cheque last Thursday, October 8th, to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) campaign co-chairman Don Pople and Executive Director Dale Walker. The Rotary Club raised the money by selling raffle tickets to win a 2009 Pontiac (or \$25,000 Cash), hosted a summer carnival and held two golf tournaments. The money will go towards the stationary ceiling lifts, which were installed in the spring of 2009 at a total cost of \$361,000. The HHHS Foundation so far has raised \$161,000 to fund the project.



From left: Rotarian Art Ward, District Governor Richard Levert, Haliburton Rotary President Maureen O'Hara, HHHSF Executive Director Dale Walker, HHHSF Co-Chair (and Rotarian) Don Pople, and Rotarian Arthur Dawson.

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Team McKecks on Tour to Help Haliburton Community.

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As of November 1st McKecks, the popular place to watch a hockey game and enjoy a relaxed meal will be closing its doors for a few weeks to welcome contractors in to begin the planned restoration of the restaurant. McKecks hasn't closed its doors in 23 years so it'll be something the town will have to get used to but they'll be going out with a bang on Halloween for a party to celebrate the old and welcome the new. And when they come back there will definitely be some welcomed changes and surprises for customers.

"There is a huge music culture in Haliburton and although McKecks will remain very much about hockey it will also be a chance for residents to spend an evening watching local bands, stand up comedy and theatre dinners. We want to house open mic nights and create a really fun atmosphere," said Maarten Steinkamp, the pub's new owner. McKecks plans on starting the weekly entertainment program in January. They want to "become more than just a restaurant, rather a hub of action." They also have plans for a summer music festival next year, a two day event in the park which aims to "put the rock back into Haliburton."

Steinkamp wants to reassure old clients that they are going to "embrace the heritage of McKecks, enhance what Haliburton is about and modernise facilities but bring back what McKecks and Haliburton really started out as." With Steinkamp's wife, Laura Patterson on board (who's a trained interior designer) they've mapped out the plans to make the layout more customer and employee friendly. McKecks will be rejuvenated in order to deliver the best customer service possible.

And though McKecks will have to close in order for the restoration to take place Steinkamp wants to make sure that his employees are still busy helping the community. The 'Blue Line', a charity idea dreamed up by Steinkamp and McKecks' Manager Karen Frybort, aims to help the community in numerous ways. "The 'Blue Line' is an ongoing, long term idea to leave structural solutions in place for people who really need a hand. We'll give you the puck but you've got to shoot it." The employees who won't be doing their usual serving and bartending are "proud to be part of the Blue Line, their very loyal to the team."

So for the month of November Team McKecks will be lending itself to the people of Haliburton in any way necessary. "If someone needs help with an event or if they find it hard to get about we'll deliver their groceries" says Steinkamp enthusiastically. Of course the requests have to be within reason and a genuine need for help, "we're here to support the community, whether it be groups or individuals to help make improvements in their lives. The biggest asset is the team. Karen has been here 16 years, she's like a walking phone book and a passionate volunteer." For the time that the restaurant is closed the employees want to make a lasting impact on their community.

The Blue line has already helped raise \$7,000 with a golf tournament and they are determined to give more help to Haliburtonians. So if you'd like team McKecks to come pay you a visit and to give you some much needed help contact Karen.Frybort@mckecks.ca alternatively you can call 452 3443. ■



Pictured is Manager Karen Frybort and owner Maarten Steinkamp

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DEATH NOTICES

Phyllis Bowen

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In Loving Memory

In Loving memory of Alvin Miscio, Dear husband, father, grandfather who passed away October 22nd, 2002. This is a picture we tenderly hold deep in our hearts. A memory is kept to lone, to cherish, never to forget. Lovingly remembered.

Clara and families.

DEATH NOTICES

Gary Ezard

Passed away suddenly at home in Minden on Saturday, October 10, 2009. At the age of 63. Beloved husband of Yette, dear father of Rusty and his wife Ada, Jeff and his wife Adele, and Amy Spears. Loving Grandpa and Poppa of Keelin, Dustin, Alyssa, Jaden, Connor, Hana. Predeceased by his sister Dianne. Son-in-law of Dick and Erma Burman.

Robert Greig

Passed away peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Sunday, October 11, 2009. At the age of 79. Beloved husband of the late Frances (Fran) and Nina. Dear father of Kandy Greig and her husband Tim Hughes, Kim Greig, and Stephanie Spratt. Loving grandpa of Jamie, Nina, and Carmen. Brother of the late Margaret and her husband Bill Harrison.



In Memory of Ric (John Eric) Pringle 1948-2009



Died suddenly in ICU in Newmarket on October 9th, one day short of his 30th anniversary with his wife, Gena Robertson, whom he adored and supported through thick and thin.

Ric will be remembered for his great laugh, sense of humour, sense of integrity, and his wisdom. He did not judge others and that was evident by the fact that he had friends of all economic strata, all religions, ages and ethnicities. He was a great storyteller and always had a story for any occasion. He made people think they could do or be or have more, and that they deserved it. His music was therapy to him and touched others. He was always striving to do better. He loved his dogs - Kye, Kadi, Tova and Nika, and took them in to visit long term care residents for over 15 years. He didn't seek fame or fortune or self-aggrandizement - he sought to make a safe and happy place for family and friends. We will miss his jokes, his music, his stories and his love.

While sorely missed by Gena, Ric will also be missed by his mother, Marg Pringle in Abbotsford, BC, and by his son, Travis Smyth in Alberta.

Cremation has taken place.

Celebration of Music and "Ric Stories"

A Gathering will take place at Halimar Lodge on Friday, October 23 from 6:00 - 11:00 pm. This is an informal gathering to play music, tell "Ric" stories (to each other), support Gena and generally participate in an event that is meant to honor him for giving of himself and enriching us all. Please join us.

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Chris & Michelle Smolarz * 457-2414 ext. 22

INDUSTRIAL LAND - \$149,900



19 acres of level, mainly cleared industrial land located minutes from Haliburton. Incl. a 4,473 sq. ft. building with 3 phase hydro. Was used as a lumberyard/sawmill. The possibilities are endless with this property. Vendor assisted financing O.A.C. with 30% down. Being sold 'as is' under Power of Sale - equipment not included.

Anthony van Lieshout ** 457-2414 ext. 27

MISKABI LAKE - \$459,900



Spectacular partial point lot with sand cove and deep water entry offers 122 ft. fr. with expansive NW summer 'sunset' exp. on pristine Miskabi Lake (2 lake chain). Superb municipal yr rd access off a cul de sac, well treed, gently sloping lot w/ good privacy & ample parking. 2005 renovated 1,122 sq. ft. 4 season home/cottage, plus more.

Susan Johnson * 457-2414, ext 44

DRAG LAKE - \$1,495,000



UNIQUE post & beam wft home on one of Haliburton's premiere lakes. Enjoy 748 feet of very private waterfront plus 73 acres. Great room features a floor to ceiling granite fireplace, custom designed kitchen, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths and over 4000 sq ft of Luxury living. Family room overlooks private sheltered bay. Plus much more.

Larry Hussey * 286-1234, ext 230

LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE - \$599,000



Double lot 262' frtg with sand and deep water. This 2500 sq. ft custom cottage/home has 3 bdr, 2 fireplaces, skylights, sunroom, walkout bsmt, custom kitchen for Mom and lg garage with loft for Dad and all the toys and overflow guests. Too many extras to mention a must see.

Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel * 754-1932

KENNISIS LAKE - \$399,900



This is what a cottage is all about. Check out this well cared for 3 bedroom with open living/dining room across the front with a spectacular view of KENNISIS Lake. This property is private, level and has a frontage of 200 feet facing north for sun all day.

Gloria Carnochan or Cindy Muenzel * 754-1932

ROSS LAKE - \$274,900



Private well treed level 2 acre lot on spring fed Ross Lake with 200 ft of clean sand gradual entry shoreline, stunning 'sunset' west exp., superb municipal yr rd paved access with ample parking. 3 bdrm, 1,024 sq. ft. 'Viceroy' style cottage features cathedral pine ceilings, nice decking and full septic, plus more.

Lorri Roberts * 457-2414 ext. 43

HORSESHOE LAKE - \$359,900



Prime 1.1 acre waterfront parcel with 247 ft. frontage on beautiful Horseshoe Lake (2 lake chain). Superb access, conveniently located close to Minden Village and all amenities plus the beautiful 'White Water' reserve. Neat & clean 3 bdrm cottage ideal for current use and rental potential and comes fully furnished, ready to enjoy! Plus more.

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Patti & Hal Johnson ** 236-1234 ex. 238



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Chris James * 457-2414 ex.25



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